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To the Citizens of the Town of Norwell:

Your town officers respectfully submit their fifty-first annual report, as follows:

REPORT OF THE TOWN TREASURER.

HORACE T. FOGG, TREASURER,
in account with TOWN OF NORWELL.

DR.

To cash on hand Jan. 15, 1900	\$1,923 75
Dog tax 1899, refunded	311 91
Income Massachusetts school fund	394 38

REFUNDED BY COMMONWEALTH:

Corporation tax	1,795 73
National bank tax	721 81
Education of children, Acts of 1898 Chap. 100	146 00
Superintendent of schools	416 66
Military aid	12 00
State aid	1,788 00
Burial of indigent soldiers	35 00

Street Railway tax	\$138 71
Support of State paupers	51 00
Inspectors of animals	15 51

REFUNDED BY TOWNS :

Town of Duxbury, aid	132 30
Town of Cohasset, aid	174 00
Town of Marshfield, aid	22 50
Town of Whitman, aid	74 00
Town of Rockland, tuition	60 00
Town of Fairhaven, aid	42 48
Town of Hingham, aid	61 08
Town of Marshfield, Union Bridge	24 31

PERSONAL AID REFUNDED :

South Scituate Savings Bank notes, anticipation of taxes	7,700 00
South Scituate Savings Bank note, Union Bridge	1,000 00
Sale of lots in cemetery	50 00
Fish rights	2 50
Second District Court, fines	59 20
Charles E. Bates, interest on mortgage	18 00
J. Byron Holmes, license	6 00
Harry S. Merritt, “	2 00
John B. Benson, “	2 00
Corthell Brothers, “	1 00
Board of W. E. B. Thomas	156 00
Sale of produce at Almshouse	80 08
Nathan Cushing, rebuilding section Main street	344 56
Interest on temporary deposit	13 80
Excise tax	57 13
Assessment of 1900	13,277 12

\$31,149 02

CR.

By cash paid on Selectmen's and School Com-	
mittee's orders	\$18,946 56
Post 112, G. A. R., per order of town	100 00
Alpheus Thomas, Moderator, per vote of town	. 5 00
Police officers and constables, Second District Court	65 34
South Scituate Savings Bank, anticipation notes	7,700 00
Interest on above notes	200 42
Betsey B. Tolman note	300 00
Interest on above note	12 50
South Scituate Savings Bank, interest on per-	
manent loan	407 50
Interest on Coffin poor fund note	80 00
Interest on A. T. Otis poor fund note	52 00
State tax	570 00
County tax	1,276 41
Cash on hand to balance	1,433 29
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	\$31,149 02

Respectfully submitted,

HORACE T. FOGG,

Treasurer.

TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT.

EDWIN A. TURNER, *in account with the* TOWN OF NORWELL.

1894 TAXES.

	DR.	
Jan. 26, 1901.		
To outstanding taxes of 1894	\$10 66	

1900 TAXES.

	DR.	CR.
Jan. 26, 1901.		
To assessment of May 1, 1900	\$13,277 12	
By cash collected and paid Treasurer		\$12,093 89
Deposited with the Treasurer in accordance with the vote of the town and provision in my bond		1,183 23
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	\$13,277 12	\$13,277 12

EDWIN A. TURNER,
Collector.

ASSESSORS' REPORT.

Value of buildings	\$437,330 00
of land	247,835 00
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	\$685,165 00
of personal estate assessed	164,909 00
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Total	\$850,074 00

Number of polls	474
Paying poll tax only	129
Horses assessed	460
Cows assessed	222
Sheep assessed	59
Neat cattle other than cows	69
Swine assessed	45
Fowl assessed	9,625
Dwelling houses assessed	442
Acres of land	12,137½
Assessors' certificate to collect	\$13,277 12
State tax	\$570 00
County tax	1,276 41
Town tax	10,975 00
Overlaying	455 71
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	\$13,277 12

Rate of taxation, \$14.50 on \$1,000.
 Street Railway excise tax, \$57.13.

ABATEMENT OF TAXES.

1900.

John Chesley, 1898 and 1899	\$4 00
Hiram Damon, “	4 00
Charles H. Kendall “	4 00
Frank W. Hilton, 1899	2 00
B. Franklin Burns, “	2 00
Henry L. Munis, “	2 60
Charles E. McPherson, “	2 60
Geo. McCarty, “	2 00
Mary R. Turner, “	7 50
James Smith, “	2 00
Wallace Chapel, “	2 75
E. E. Gunderway, “	6 51
Charles David, “	3 73
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	\$45 69

GEO. W. GRIGGS,
ALPHEUS THOMAS,
HENRY D. SMITH.

Assessors of Norwell.

HIGHWAYS.

GENERAL EXPENSES.

1900.

Good Roads Machine Co., edge for machine,	\$8 50
L. F. Hammond, labor on machine,	3 23
C. W. Tilden, " "	8 00
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	\$19 85

Exceeded the amount reserved, \$7.83.

DISTRICT No. 1.

Timothy Sheehan, 16 days at \$2.00,	\$32 00
Timothy Sheehan, drain pipe,	7 50
Timothy Sheehan, cash paid B. W. Prouty, 2½ hours,	50
Jerry Sheehan and 1 horse, 60 hours at 33⅓c,	20 00
Jerry Sheehan, 27 hours at 20c,	5 40
Luke Huff, 54 hours at 20c,	10 80
Wm. Farrar and 2 horses, 45 hours at 50c,	22 50
Daniel Barnes and 2 horses, 34 hours at 50c,	17 00
Daniel Barnes, 27 hours at 20c,	5 40
Edward Loring and 1 horse, 18 hours at 33⅓c,	6 00
Edward Loring, 41½ hours at 20c,	8 30
C. E. Brewster and 1 horse, 16½ hours at 33⅓c,	5 50
C. E. Brewster and 2 horses, 9 hours at 50c,	4 50
C. E. Brewster and 2 horses, 17 hours at 33⅓c,	5 67
C. E. Brewster, 5 hours at 20c,	1 00

Wm. M. Collamore and 2 horses, 9 hours at 50c,	\$4 50
W. G. Collamore, 10 hours at 20c,	2 00
John R. Collamore and 2 horses, 26 hours at 50c,	13 00
Samuel Loring, 110 hours at 20c,	22 00
Samuel Loring, gravel,	2 55
Charles Sculley, 59 hours at 20c,	11 80
Geo. H. Bates, 88 hours at 20c,	17 60
Alpheus Thomas, 7 hours at 20c,	1 40
Charles Pratt, 18 hours at 20c,	3 60
Albert T. Farrar, 18 hours at 20c,	3 60
Hiram Damon, 18 hours at 20c,	3 60
Edwin C. Briggs, 17 hours at 20c,	3 40
C. B. Collins, gravel,	5 00
Samuel H. Litchfield, gravel	6 00
John A. Prouty, gravel,	50
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	\$252 62

Share of appropriation,	\$255 68
Total expended,	252 62
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Less appropriation	\$3 06

TIMOTHY SHEEHAN,
Surveyor.

DISTRICT No. 2.

Edward A. Jacobs, 14 days at \$2.00,	\$28 00
Edward A. Jacobs, 1 man and 2 horses, 107½ hours at 50c,	53 75
Edward A. Jacobs, 1 man and 1 horse 9 hours at 33½c,	3 00
Edward A. Jacobs, 2 horses 2 days at \$3.00,	6 00
Edward A. Jacobs, 1 man 9 hours at 20c,	1 80
Andrew Clapp, 93 hours at 20c,	18 60

Andrew Clapp and 1 horse, 27 hours at $33\frac{1}{3}$ c,	\$9 00
O. D. Burhoff, 95 hours at 20c,	19 00
Henry Studley, 55 hours at 20c,	11 00
Patrick Gammon, 46 hours at 20c,	9 20
Alonzo Stoddard, $63\frac{1}{2}$ hours at 20c,	12 70
Wallie Damon, $49\frac{1}{2}$ hours at 20c,	9 90
Carleton Pincin, 49 hours at 20c,	9 80
John Prince, 67 hours at 20c,	13 40
Frank Jones, 18 hours at 20c,	3 60
George Rix, 1 man and 2 horses $116\frac{1}{2}$ hours at 50c,	58 25
Benjamin Loring, 1 man and 2 horses 50 hours at 50c,	25 00
Davis Turner and 2 horses, 32 hours at 50c,	16 00
Arthur Briggs, $17\frac{1}{2}$ hours at 20c,	3 50
Edgar Lee, 9 hours at 20c	1 80
William Lapham and 1 horse, 9 hours at $33\frac{1}{3}$ c,	3 00
Joshua Freeman and 2 horses, $26\frac{1}{2}$ hours at 50c,	13 25
Charles Kendall, $12\frac{1}{2}$ hours at 20c,	2 50
Simeon Damon, $26\frac{1}{2}$ hours at 20c,	5 30
Frank Damon, $26\frac{1}{2}$ hours at 20c,	5 30
Tools,	7 20
B. Jacobs' estate, gravel,	11 70
Benjamin Loring, gravel,	1 80
Mrs. Geo. E. Bates, gravel,	10 50
Albion Damon, 24 hours at 20c,	4 80
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	\$378 65

Share of appropriation,	\$403 19
Total expended,	378 65
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Less appropriation,	\$24 54

EDWARD A. JACOBS,
Surveyor.

DISTRICT No. 3.

Walter Simmons, 21 $\frac{3}{4}$ days at \$2.00,	\$43 50
Walter Simmons, 1 horse 99 hours at 16 $\frac{2}{3}$ c,	16 50
Walter Simmons and 2 horses, 8 hours at 50c,	4 00
Clifford Brett and 2 horses, 81 hours at 50c,	40 50
Clifford Brett, 15 $\frac{1}{2}$ hours at 20c,	3 10
Daniel F. Bates and 2 horses, 113 hours at 50c,	56 50
Carlton Litchfield and 2 horses, 51 hours at 50c,	25 50
Levi Osborn and 1 horse, 45 hours at 33 $\frac{1}{3}$ c,	15 00
Levi Osborn, 1 horse 48 hours at 16 $\frac{2}{3}$ c,	8 00
Levi Osborn, 101 hours at 20c,	20 20
Geo. Vinal, 93 hours at 20c,	18 60
Nelson Osborn, 59 hours at 20c,	11 80
Alvin Vinal, 181 $\frac{1}{2}$ hours at 20c,	36 30
Joseph Totman, 159 $\frac{1}{2}$ hours at 20c,	31 90
Leonard Winslow, 77 $\frac{1}{2}$ hours at 20c,	15 50
Bert Richardson, 25 hours at 20c,	5 00
Harry Richardson, 73 $\frac{1}{2}$ hours at 20c,	14 70
Harry Gardner, 75 hours at 20c,	15 00
Daniel Sprague, 8 hours at 20c,	1 60
Earl Richardson, 10 hours at 15c,	1 50
Earl Richardson, 43 $\frac{1}{2}$ hours at 20c,	8 70
Eddie Winslow, 28 $\frac{1}{2}$ hours at 20c,	5 60
Andrew Stockbridge, work on bridge,	2 00
E. Williamson, gravel,	10 12
Mrs. Veasie, gravel,	7 02
J. H. Hacket, gravel	3 36

 \$421 60

Share of appropriation, \$437 61

Total expended, 421 60

 Less appropriation, \$16 01

WALTER SIMMONS,

Surveyor.

DISTRICT No. 4.

Joseph H. Hatch, 17½ days at \$2.00,	\$35 00
Joseph H. Hatch, 2 horses 58 hours at 33⅓c,	19 33
Joseph H. Hatch, 1 horse 42 hours at 16⅔c,	7 00
Joseph W. Hatch. 59½ hours at 20c,	11 90
Joseph W. Hatch and 2 horses, 105 hours at 50c,	52 50
Geo. H. Turner and 2 horses, 50 hours at 50c,	25 00
D. Oscar Wagner and 2 horses, 36 hours at 50c,	18 00
D. Oscar Wagner, 9 hours at 20c,	1 80
James L. Litchfield and 2 horses, 23 hours at 50c,	11 50
John T. Moody and 2 horses, 41 hours at 50c,	20 50
John T. Moody, 56½ hours at 20c,	11 30
Fred W. Gardner and 2 horses, 41 hours at 50c,	20 50
Fred W. Gardner, 9 hours at 20c,	1 80
Charles H. Kilbourn and 2 horses, 36 hours at 50c,	18 00
Louis Kilbourn, 27 hours at 20c,	5 40
John Whalen and 2 horses, 59½ hours at 50c,	29 75
John Whalen, man 61½ hours at 20c,	12 30
John Whalen and 2 horses, 9 hours at 50c,	4 50
John Whalen, setting guide post,	1 50
Herbert Litchfield, 41 hours at 20c,	8 20
John Litchfield, 41 hours at 20c,	8 20
Caleb D. Litchfield, 97½ hours at 20c,	19 50
Charles Bates, 32 hours at 20c,	6 40
Percy Litchfield, 23 hours at 20c,	4 60
Laban Bates, 112 hours at 20c,	22 40
Wm. L. Briggs, 23 hours at 20c,	4 60
Henry Munnis, 84 hours at 20c,	16 80
John S. Gardner, 20½ hours at 20c,	4 10
Archie Merritt, 9 hours at 20c,	1 80
John E. Leslie, 18 hours at 20c,	3 60
Charles Bates, Jr., 18 hours at 20c,	3 60
John T. Moody, 106 loads of gravel at 6c,	6 36
W. S. Blanchard, 14 loads of gravel at 6c,	84

E. I. Williamson, 288 loads gravel at 6c,	\$17 28
Geo. F. Welch, drain pipe,	4 50
Thomas J. Studley, sharpening tools,	1 00
Philip Litchfield, 25 hours at 20c,	5 00

\$446 36

Share of appropriation,	\$290 10
Special appopriation Mt. Blue street,	150 00

\$440 10

Total expended,	446 36
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Exceeded appropriation,	\$6 26
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J. H. HATCH,

Surveyor.

DISTRICT No. 5.

L. F. Hammond, 14 $\frac{3}{4}$ days at \$2.00,	\$29 50
L. F. Hammond, man and 2 horses 171 hours at 50c,	85 50
L. F. Hammond, man and 1 horse 6 $\frac{1}{2}$ days at \$3.00,	19 50
Wm. O. Merritt, two horses 36 hours at 50c,	18 00
Guy Merritt, 45 hours at 20c,	9 00
George E. Torrey and two horses, 9 hours at 50c,	4 50
Lorenzo Cromwell and two horses, 17 hours at 50c,	8 50
Lorenzo Cromwell, 18 hours at 20c,	3 60
David Griffith, 31 hours at 20c,	6 20
George H. Lee, 58 hours at 20c,	11 60
Edgar E. Lee, 40 hours at 20c,	8 00
Arthur L. Briggs, 108 hours at 20c,	25 20
Edwin Freeman, 54 hours at 20c,	10 80
Alexander Black, 117 hours at 20c	23 40
Carlton Pinson, 63 hours at 20c,	12 60

Wallace Chapel, 54 hours at 20c,	\$10 80
Andrew Clapp and horse, 2 days,	6 00
C. A. Berry and 2 horses, 59 hours at 50c,	29 50
—— Burhoff, 9 hours at 20c,	1 80
Edward Jordan, 54 hours at 20c,	10 80
Walter Briggs, 32 hours at 20c,	6 40
Frank Turner, railing bridge,	2 50
Horace T. Fogg, gravel,	5 16
Mrs. David Torrey, gravel,	10 20
Mrs. Emma Bates, gravel,	9 00
Charles H. Baker, stone work,	3 00
Daniel R. Ewell, raking,	2 00
George F. Welch, railing,	1 95
Phillips, Bates & Co., lumber,	13 76
C. M. Tilden, sharpening picks,	50

\$389 27

Share of appropriation,	\$393 36
Total expended,	389 27

Less than appropriation, \$4 09

L FRANK HAMMOND,

Surveyor.

DISTRICT No. 6.

John W. Burns, 21 days,	\$42 00
John W. Burns, 4 hours at 20c,	80
John W. Burns, 1 horse 139 hours at 16 $\frac{2}{3}$ c,	23 17
John Burns, gravel,	9 66
B. F. Burns and 2 horses, 90 hours at 50c,	45 00
B. F. Burns, 40 $\frac{1}{2}$ hours at 20c,	8 10
Litchfield & Faxon, tools,	3 46
Charles W. Harris, 31 hours at 20c,	6 20
Charles W. Harris, 1 horse 31 hours at 16 $\frac{2}{3}$ c,	5 17

Charles W. Harris and 1 horse, 36 hours at $33\frac{1}{3}$ c,	\$12 00
Hosea L. Stetson, 180 hours at 20c,	36 00
Albert Merritt, 158 hours at 20c,	31 60
Albert Merritt and 1 horse, 18 hours at $33\frac{1}{3}$ c,	6 00
James Spellman, 31 hours at 20c,	6 20
Fred Smith, 9 hours at 20c,	1 80
Harry G. Pinson and 2 horses, 27 hours at 50c,	13 50
George F. Welch, tools, lumber, etc.,	3 94
Wm. Monahan, 18 hours at 20c,	3 60
Eddie Merritt, 42 hours at 20c,	8 40
John T. Hatch, 24 hours at 20c.	4 80
H. C. Ford and 2 horses, 42 hours at 50c,	21 00
H. C. Ford, man and 1 horse $20\frac{1}{2}$ hours at $33\frac{1}{3}$ c,	6 83
H. C. Ford, 13 hours at 20c,	2 60
Tilon Williams and 2 horses, $38\frac{1}{2}$ hours at 50c,	19 25
A. L. Powers and 2 horses, $40\frac{1}{2}$ hours at 50c,	20 25
Samuel L. Brown, 9 hours at 20c,	1 80
Frank Baker, 9 hours at 20c,	1 80
James Green, gravel,	12 00
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	\$356 93

Share of appropriation, \$309 77

Total expended, 356 93

Exceeded appropriation,

\$47 16

JOHN W. BURNS,

Surveyor.

DISTRICT No. 7.

Francis E. Henderson, $16\frac{1}{2}$ days at \$2.00,	\$33 00
Francis E. Henderson, man and 2 horses, $100\frac{1}{2}$ hours at 50c,	50 25
Francis E. Henderson, man and 1 horse, 28 hours at $33\frac{1}{3}$ c,	9 34

R. C. Durnin and 2 horses, 14 hours at 50c,	\$ 7 00
Charles Simmons and 2 horses, 63 hours at 50c,	31 50
W. S. Simmons and 2 horses, 66 hours at 50c,	33 00
James B. Knapp and 1 horse, 122½ hours at 33⅓c,	40 84
James B. Knapp, 1 horse 3 hours at 16⅔c,	50
Thomas Sampson and 1 horse 41 hours at 33⅓c,	13 67
Arthur F. Henderson, 45 hours at 20c,	9 00
Robert C. Henderson, 23 hours at 20c,	4 60
John Corthell, 54 hours at 20c,	10 80
W. R. Barker, 48 hours at 20c,	9 60
Edward Couch, 45 hours at 20c,	9 00
Ralph Gardner, 97 hours at 20c,	19 40
Albion Snowdale, 120 hours at 20c,	24 00
James Studley, 114½ hours at 20c,	22 90
John Knapp, 13 hours at 20c,	2 60
Geo. W. Smith, 109 hours at 20c,	21 80
Chas. S. Smith, 47 hours at 20c,	9 40
John Dagon, 23 hours at 20c,	4 60
Fred Kidder, 23 hours at 20c,	4 60
Robert Montgomery, 56 hours at 20c,	11 20
R. C. Durnin, 152 loads gravel at 6c,	9 12
Lucy Turner, 70 loads gravel at 6c,	4 20
E. E. Stetson, 6 loads gravel at 6c,	36
Briggs Brothers, 144 loads gravel at 6c,	8 64
John Loring, drain pipe,	9 10

\$414 02

Share of appropriation, \$398 27

Total expended, 414 02

Exceeded appropriation, \$15 75

FRANCIS E. HENDERSON,

Surveyor.

SUMMARY OF HIGHWAY EXPENSES.

Appropriation,	\$2,500 00	
Special appropriation,	150 00	
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Expended in District No. 1,	\$252 62	
" " 2,	378 65	
" " 3,	421 60	
" " 4,	446 36	
" " 5,	389 27	
" " 6,	356 93	
" " 7,	414 02	
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General expenses,		19 85
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Total expended,		\$2,679 30

DELANO HILL WATERING FOUNTAIN.

Francis E. Henderson 5½ days at \$2.00,	\$11 00
Freight on pipe,	50
Arthur F. Henderson, 45 hours at 20c,	9 00
Man and 2 horses, 9 hours at 50c,	4 50
W. R. Barker, 45 hours at 20c,	9 00
James Studley, 39 hours at 20c,	7 80
John Knapp, 54 hours at 20c,	10 80
George W. Smith, 50 hours at 20c,	10 00
Henry D. Smith, 15 hours at 20c,	3 00
Thomas Sampson, posts and rails,	1 00
George F. Welch, tile,	6 50
H. D. Smith, pipe,	7 00
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	\$80
Appropriation,	\$125 00
Total expended,	80 10
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Less than appropriation,	\$44 90

SNOW ACCOUNT.

DISTRICT No. 1.

A. W. Thomas, $2\frac{1}{2}$ hours at 25c,	\$0 63
Alpheus Thomas, 3 hours at 25c,	75
Geo. H. Bates, 3 hours at 25c,	75
Geo. A. Bates, 2 hours at 25c,	50
Charles Scully, 2 hours at 25c,	50
Wallace M. Shaw, $2\frac{1}{2}$ hours at 25c,	63
Edward Loring, $3\frac{1}{2}$ hours at 25c,	87
Timothy Sheehan, 9 hours at 25c,	2 25
Jerry Sheehan, 3 hours at 25c,	75
Jerry Sheehan and horse, 2 hours at 50c,	1 00
W. H. Farrar and horse, $5\frac{1}{2}$ hours at 50c,	2 75
John A. Sawyer, $2\frac{1}{2}$ hours at 25c,	63
Samuel Loring, 3 hours at 25c,	75
Wm. G. Collamore, 3 hours at 25c,	75
Albert Farrar, 3 hours at 25c,	75
John Brown, $2\frac{1}{2}$ hours at 25c,	63
Hiram Damon, $1\frac{1}{2}$ hours at 25c,	38
Joseph Griffin, $1\frac{1}{2}$ hours at 25c,	38
Daniel Barnes, $1\frac{1}{2}$ hours at 25c,	38
Bernard Scully, $2\frac{1}{2}$ hours at 15c,	38
Frank Damon, $2\frac{1}{2}$ hours at 15c,	38
Chester Robinson, $2\frac{1}{2}$ hours at 15c,	38
Willie Delano, 2 hours at 15c,	30

Charles Tisdale, 2 hours at 15c,	\$0 30
Stacy Benson, 1 hour at 15c,	15
Howard F. Mann, 3 hours at 20c,	60
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	\$18 52

DISTRICT No. 2.

E. C. Briggs, 9 hours at 25c,	\$2 25
E. C. Briggs, 2 horses 6 hours at 50c.	3 00
Joe Briggs, 4 hours at 25c,	1 00
Patrick Gammon, 7 hours at 25c,	1 75
Frank Jones, 2½ hours at 25c,	63
Geo. W. Griggs, snow plough,	4 50
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	\$13 13

DISTRICT No. 3.

Geo. A. Turner, snow plough,	\$17 00
Walter Simmons, 3 hours at 25c,	75
Walter Simmons, 4 horses 3 hours at \$1,	3 00
Clifford Brett and 2 horses, 5 hours at 75c,	3 75
Wallace Hackett, 2 men 2 hours at 50c,	1 00
Wallace Hackett, 4 horses 2½ hours at \$1,	4 50
Bert Richardson, 2 hours at 25c,	50
Earl Richardson, 2 hours at 25c,	50
George Vinal, 5 hours at 25c,	1 25
G. F. Marble, 3 hours at 25c,	75
Clarence Briggs, 2 hours at 25c,	50
H. Leavitt, 7 hours at 25c,	1 75
Lyman W. Lincoln, 6 hours at 15c,	90
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	\$36 15

DISTRICT No. 4.

J. H. Hatch and 2 horses, 9 hours at 75c,	\$6 75
J. W. Hatch, 2 hours at 25c,	50
Floyd Cox, 6 hours at 25c,	1 50
John T. Moody, 6 hours at 25c,	1 50
George Moody, 2 hours at 25c,	50
Archie Merritt, 5 hours at 25c,	1 25
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	\$12 00

DISTRICT No. 5.

E. M. Stetson, 2 horses 7 hours at 50c,	\$3 50
George H. Lee, 7 hours at 25c,	1 75
John Prince, 7 hours at 25c,	1 75
Charles H. Kendall, 6 hours at 25c,	1 50
Wallace Damon, 6 hours at 25c,	1 50
Alexander Black, 6 hours at 25c,	1 50
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	\$11 50

DISTRICT No. 6.

Samuel L. Brown, 3 hours at 25c,	\$0 75
Charles Harris, 5 hours at 25c,	1 25
John W. Burns, 4 hours at 25c,	1 00
Albert Merritt, 3 hours at 25c,	75
B. F. Burns, 12 hours at 25c,	3 00
George W. Griggs, snow plough,	4 00
E. P. Josephs' men, 9 hours at 25c,	2 25
C. W. Tilden, repairing snow plough,	2 50
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	\$15 50

DISTRICT No. 7.

Francis Henderson, 9 hours at 25c,	\$2 25
Francis Henderson, man and 2 horses 10 hours at 75c,	7 50
Robert Henderson, 6 hours at 25c,	1 50
Wilfred Chamberlain, 2 hours at 25c,	50
Wm. S. Simmons, 2 horses 2 hours at 50c,	1 00
James Studley, 5 hours at 25c,	1 25
Richard Winslow, 4 hours at 25c,	1 00
Jesse Winslow, 4 hours at 25c,	1 00
Charles Smith, 4 hours at 25c,	1 00
John Corthell, 2½ hours at 25c,	63
Thomas Sampson, 3½ hours at 25c,	87
Arthur Montgomery, 2½ hours at 15c,	37
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	\$18 87

SUMMARY.

District No. 1, snow expense,	\$18 52
“ 2, “	13 13
“ 3, “	36 15
“ 4, “	12 00
“ 5, “	11 50
“ 6, “	15 50
“ 7, “	18 87
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\$125 67

REPORT OF THE OVERSEERS OF THE POOR.

Appropriation,

\$2,500 00

ALMSHOUSE EXPENDITURES.

Value of articles on hand Jan. 1, 1900,	\$434 75
David W. Turner & Son, coal,	78 85
H. S. Turner & Co., supplies,	97 45
E. B. Tobey, dry goods,	12 55
F. L. Smith, services as superintendent,	300 00
E. P. Joseph, ice two years,	20 68
M. McDevitt, crackers, etc.,	11 67
W. P. Thayer, shoes, etc.,	8 80
A. Clapp & Damon, killing hogs,	3 00
John A. Loring, pump repairs, etc.,	7 96
L. F. Hammond, 3 cords oak wood,	9 99
Geo. F. Welch, merchandise as per bill,	21 46
F. M. Curtis, supplies,	78 45
Burbeck & Brett, grain, etc.,	59 70
W. W. Cutler, meat, etc.,	44 25
A. A. Page, fish, etc.,	22 35
John Monahan, dry goods,	28 80
H. C. Ford, fertilizer,	8 10
Frank Thomas, services of stock,	2 00
A. J. Litchfield & Son, grain,	83 08

A. J. Litchfield & Son, supplies,	\$785 47	
C. L. Rice & Co., chairs, carpet, etc.,	19 50	
Frank W. Jones, 4 cords manure,	14 00	
Daniel Barnes, carting above,	6 00	
L. N. Osborn, plastering,	7 50	
Geo. W. Robbins, hanging paper,	1 60	
Corthell Bros., supplies,	38 55	
George H. Turner, fertilizer,	16 00	
C. W. Tilden, horse shoeing, etc.,	14 68	
E. P. Joseph, ploughing,	2 50	
J. F. Merritt, mowing,	3 00	
F. L. Smith, articles bought for cash,	21 42	
Charles Berry, fertilizer,	14 20	
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Total,		\$1,578 31

ALMSHOUSE RECEIPTS.

Milk and butter,	\$28 68	
Potatoes,	27 30	
Lumber,	1 20	
Calves,	13 65	
Fowl,	6 00	
Strawberries,	3 25	
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		\$80 08

ARTICLES ON HAND JAN. 1, 1901.

1 horse,	\$40 00
2 cows,	75 00
1 hog,	15 00
36 hens,	18 00
Manure,	10 00

6½ tons hay,	\$130 00	
¼ ton corn stalks,	2 50	
Grain,	3 00	
Lumber,	10 00	
Shingles,	75	
Laths,	50	
Potatoes,	35 25	
Carrots,	36 00	
Beets,	11 00	
Crackers,	1 35	
Flour,	2 50	
Pork,	4 75	
Groceries,	9 45	
	<hr/>	\$405 05

SUMMARY OF ALMSHOUSE ACCOUNTS.

Total expenditure,	\$1,578 31	
ALMSHOUSE CREDITS.		
Articles sold,	\$80 08	
Board of W. E. B. Thomas,	156 00	
Articles on hand Jan. 1,	405 05	
	<hr/>	\$641 13
Total cost of poor in Almshouse, including tramps,	32	\$937 18

AID TO POOR OUT OF ALMSHOUSE.

MARY AGNES GARDNER.

Paid S. M. Buttrick, 40 weeks' board at \$2,	\$80 00
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HIRAM DAMON.

Paid A. Culver & Co., coal,	\$7 75
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BELLA FREEMAN.

Paid Worcester Insane Asylum,	\$169 46
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OSCAR SYLVESTER.

Paid—

Harriet Thomas, board 52 weeks at \$1.25,	\$65 00	
Harriet Thomas, clothing, etc.,	17 25	
	<hr/>	\$82 25

FAMILY OF EDWIN C. LITCHFIELD.

Paid—

W. F. Coughlin, rent and groceries,	\$258 51	
C. F. Leslie, supplies,	26 38	
Town of Whitman, aid,	27 47	
B. L. Shaw, supplies,	35 47	
S. Cummings, supplies,	32 36	
	<hr/>	\$380 19

J. S. LITCHFIELD.

Paid—

Taunton Hospital, board from Oct. 1 to Dec. 31, 1899,	\$42 71	
Taunton Hospital, clothing,	16 24	
Taunton Hospital, board from Jan. 1 to Jan. 30, 1900,	13 46	
Taunton Hospital, clothing,	8 50	
Walter J. Stoddard, board to Dec. 31, 1900,	50 00	
Geo. W. Griggs, expenses from Taun- ton,	3 12	
	<hr/>	\$134 03

JOSEPH HENDERSON.

Paid Ashburnham, aid,	\$11 50
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MANDANA FREEMAN.

Paid Whitman, aid,	\$22 00
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HENRY W. WINSLOW.

Paid—

H. J. Little, medical attendance,	\$82 00	
H. S. Turner & Co., supplies,	3 00	
	<hr/>	\$85 00

BRIDGET SHEA.

State farm, board,	\$146 00
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GEO. W. SMITH.

Paid—

Dr. C. L. Howes, medical attendance,	\$3 00	
F. W. Bowker, shoes, etc.,	6 00	
	<hr/>	\$9 00

SARAH A. STUDLEY.

Paid cash for aid,	\$39 00
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NELLIE T. HUNT.

Paid S. B. Dickerman, medical attendance,	\$8 00
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ALDEN BEACH.

Paid H. J. Little, medical attendance,	\$8 00
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MARY ANN GARDNER.

Paid—

John S. Brooks, supplies,	\$23 26	
H. J. Little, medical attendance,	27 00	
	<hr/>	\$50 26

JAMES F. CROCKER.

Town of Hanover,	\$36 75	
Total expense of out-door poor,	<hr/>	\$1,269 19

**AID TO OUT-DOOR POOR HAVING SETTLEMENT
IN OTHER TOWNS AND STATE.**

MRS. JAMES F. RANDALL, Duxbury.

Paid—

H. S. Turner & Co., supplies,	\$13 00	
H. J. Little, medical attendance,	17 00	
H. F. Ford, rent,	5 00	
	<hr/>	\$35 00

FAMILY OF H. L. BATES, Cohasset.

Paid—

H. S. Turner & Co., supplies,	\$105 58	
George F. Welch, coal,	7 00	
H. J. Little, medical attendance,	13 00	
A. J. Litchfield & Son, shoes,	3 00	
	<hr/>	\$128 58

LABAN BATES, Hull.

H. J. Little, medical attendance,	\$3 50
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W. B. ROSE, Fairhaven.

Paid—

Linscott & Bryant, supplies,	\$18 98	
C. A. Dorr, medical attendance,	23 50	
	<hr/>	\$42 48

JOSIAH W. CHAMBERLAIN, Holbrook.

M. Little, supplies,	\$104 00
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BERT RANDALL, Duxbury.

Paid—

H. S. Turner & Co., supplies,	\$115 00	
H. J. Little, attendance,	38 30	
F. L. Smith, bed pan,	1 50	
	<hr/>	\$154 80

CHESTER TAYLOR, Scituate.

Paid—

H. S. Turner & Co., supplies,	\$19 00	
H. S. Turner & Co., clothing,	4 95	
	<hr/>	\$23 95

STATE CHARGE.

FRANK JORDAN, State.

H. J. Little, attendance,	\$4 00
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SUMMARY.

Total amount paid for out-door poor,	\$1,765 50	
Total cost of poor at Almshouse,	937 18	
	<hr/>	\$2,702 68
Less amount refunded by towns,	\$492 31	
Less amount refunded by State,	4 00	
	<hr/>	\$496 31
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		\$2,206 37

GEORGE W. GRIGGS,
 ALPHEUS THOMAS,
 HENRY D. SMITH,
Overseers of the Poor.

SOLDIERS' RELIEF.

Benjamin K. Barrett, Whitman,	\$78 00	
Lyman B. Fitts, Marshfield,	102 50	
Samuel Keene,	16 50	
Joanna Keene,	50 00	
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		\$247 00

SOLDIER'S BURIAL—STATE.

C. W. & E. H. Sparrell, burial of Samuel Keene,	\$35 00
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MILITARY AID PAID IN 1900.

William T. Slason,	\$16 00	
Samuel Keene,	166 70	
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		\$182 70

One-half to be refunded by State.

STATE AID PAID IN 1900.

Charles D. Barnard,	\$48 00
David Bassford,	48 00
Amanda Bassford,	48 00
Benjamin K. Barrett,	72 00

Amanda Coleman,	\$48 00
Timothy B. Chapman,	36 00
John Corthell,	48 00
Josephine Corthell,	48 00
Josiah W. Chamberlin,	72 00
Abbie F. Coleman,	12 00
Maria B. Damon,	48 00
Hannah Dover,	24 00
Charles David,	72 00
Ensign B. Damon,	48 00
Lucy Damon,	36 00
Daniel R. Ewell,	72 00
Charles H. Farrar,	28 00
Seth O. Fitts,	60 00
Lyman B. Fitts,	72 00
John T. Hatch,	60 00
Sarah Hatch,	48 00
Thomas R. Lawrence,	6 00
Bradford Little,	40 00
Charles M. Leavitt,	48 00
Reuben S. Gurney,	12 00
William H. Morse,	48 00
William O. Merritt,	48 00
John McKee,	36 00
Eliza J. McKee,	24 00
Martin S. Poppy,	9 00
Harriet Raymond,	48 00
David P. Robinson,	36 00
Mary Shepherd,	36 00
Edwin Studley,	48 00
Charles H. Totman,	48 00
George O. Torrey,	72 00
James W. Warner,	36 00
James H. Williams,	70 00
Albert Winslow,	48 00

Esther M. Young,	\$36 00
Samuel Keene,	8 00
Susan H. Higbee,	20 00

\$1,825 00

Total due from the State.

TOWN OFFICERS.

Paid—

George W. Griggs, services as select- man, assessor and overseer of the poor.	\$155 00
Alpheus Thomas, services as above,	125 00
Henry D. Smith, services as above,	125 00
Israel Hatch, school committee,	47 00
Benjamin Loring, school committee salary and expenses,	59 50
Mary L. F. Power, school commit- tee, salary and expenses,	75 00
Horace T. Fogg, treasurer,	100 00
Edwin A. Turner, tax collector,	350 00
J. C. Otis, town clerk,	33 90
J. C. Otis, register of voters,	20 00
John H. Prouty, register of voters,	20 00
Ezra E. Stetson, register of voters,	15 00
E. M. Sexton,	15 00
George Cushing, auditor,	12 00
Charles Simmons, fire warden,	5 00
J. W. Foster, inspector of animals, two years,	64 02
J. W. Foster, constable, two years,	25 50
J. W. Foster, truant officer,	8 00
Wm. E. Wilder, constable,	2 00

Walter T. Osborn, constable, two years,	\$29 00
Walter T. Osborn, truant officer,	8 00
John Corthell, constable,	6 00
John Corthell, truant officer,	3 00
John Corthell, tree warden,	15 00
A. W. Pinson, inspector of provisions,	12 24
H. A. Turner, board of health,	2 00
H. J. Little, M. D., board of health,	3 00
Joha Whalen, election officer,	2 50
John Sheehan, election officer,	2 50
J. H. Lehan, election officer, two years,	5 00
J. F. Merritt, election officer, two years,	5 00
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	\$1,350 16
One-half the expense inspecting animals refunded by the State,	32 01
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	\$1,318 15

TOWN HALL.

Paid—

Horace T. Fogg, insurance,	\$22 50
L. F. Hammond, wood,	3 33
L. F. Hammond, grading,	19 40
George F. Welch, lumber for railing,	4 90
C. W. Tilden, iron work,	75
Fred J. Crening, building railing,	5 00
Fred J. Crening, janitor,	25 00
A. J. Litchfield & Son, supplies,	45
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\$81 33

UNION BRIDGE.

There has been paid by the town of Norwell on account of construction of Union Bridge as follows :

Telephone,	\$0 57	
J. W. Burns, hauling plank,	5 75	
C. H. Baker, changing stone work,	3 75	
A. Thomas, supervising,	16 30	
H. L. House, engineering,	29 80	
Entry fee,	1 50	
Asa P. French, advice,	7 50	
A. T. Stearns Lumber Co., plank,	84 99	
Freight on plank,	5 09	
R. D. Shanahan, balance on contract,	250 00	
Collins & Norton. on account.	1,000 00	
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		\$1,405 25
Less cash received for material sold,		32 13
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		\$1,372 12

The above is charged wholly to the town of Norwell, the town of Marshfield has paid the same.

Paid on account of repairs to Old Bridge :

E. P. Joseph, use of timber and hauling,	\$14 50
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Paid on account of building road at bridge :

John W. Burns, grading,	\$112 00
John W. Burns, extra work in full,	35 15
John W. Burns, building driveway	
for F. Thomas,	9 40
Frank Thomas, lighting road,	21 50
John T. Moody, lumber and labor,	2 50

Albert Merritt, changing railing and raking stone,	\$10 33
H. L. House, engineering,	26 50
Brown & Lehan, painting railing,	7 91
A. J. Litchfield & Son, oil for lighting,	1 65

\$226 94

TOWN INCIDENTALS.

E. A. Turner, stamps, etc.,	\$15 79
F. F. Douglas & Co., printing,	1 50
M. R. Warren & Co., printing and paper,	3 00
G. W. Griggs, blanks,	1 05
Henry Shaw, law book,	212 00
J. L. Hammett Co., order book for School Committee,	10 50
J. S. Smith, printing town reports,	86 75
J. S. Smith, tax bills and tally sheets,	8 00
H. M. Dolbear, assessors' posters,	1 00
J. C. Otis, cash paid for printing,	7 50
J. C. Otis, postage, etc.,	2 00
Seth Foster, expenses and cash paid,	21 50
Samuel Hobbs & Co., stationery,	42
Thomas Groom & Co., order books, etc.,	14 50
Robert Montgomery, burying dog,	4 00
Philip Litchfield, watching fire,	2 00
Caleb D. Litchfield, watching fire,	2 00
Herbert Litchfield, watching fire,	2 00
Percy Litchfield, watching fire,	2 00
Oscar Wagner, watching fire,	2 00
Cassius C. Merritt, watching fire,	2 00

Harry Henderson, watching fire,	\$2 00
E. E. Corthell, watching fire,	2 00
R. Montgomery, watching fire,	2 00
J. C. Coakley, watching fire,	6 40
W. R. Barker, watching fire,	2 40
Fred Hallet & Co., dog license blanks,	1 60
A. T. Bliss & Co., voting lists,	28 82
Geo. L. Newcomb, M. D., returning births,	50
F. M. Curtis, stamps, etc.,	2 80
James Green, care of pump District 6,	2 00
Frank W. Jones, 11 cords manure,	38 50
Daniel Barnes, carting manure,	16 50
Helen L. Fogg, rent of safe,	8 00
John A. Loring, repairing pump District 6,	2 25
Carter Ink Co., ink,	50
Charles E. Abbott, repairs on pump District 1,	75
H. J. Little, returning births,	2 25
Joseph Frame, returning births,	75
A. J. Litchfield & Son, stamps and stationery,	10 44
Alpheus Thomas, postage,	2 98
Cabinet and freight (for Indian relics),	32 00

\$357 07

TOWN CEMETERY.

Paid—

H. L. House, work and supplies,	\$25 19
Samuel Loring, 47 hours at 20c,	9 40
J. W. Sawyer, 9 hours at 20c,	1 80

J. A. Sawyer, 9 hours at 20c,	\$1 80
J. W. Brown. 9 hours at 20c,	1 80
Hiram Damon, 14 hours at 20c,	2 80
C. H. Lapham, $2\frac{1}{2}$ hours at 20c,	50
C. H. Lapham and team, $2\frac{1}{2}$ hours at $33\frac{1}{3}$ c,	83

\$44 12

Received for lots, \$50.00.

SUPPRESSION OF CRIME.

Paid J. W. Foster, cash expended,	\$5 00
Appropriation, \$300.00.	

NATHAN CUSHING ROAD.

Paid—

Nathan Cushing,	\$600 00
Received from Nathan Cushing,	344 56

\$255 44

RECAPITULATION.

Taxes abated,	\$45 69
Highway expenditures,	2,679 30
Snow expenditures,	125 67
Town officers,	1,350 16
Town hall,	81 33
Incidentals,	357 07
Almshouse expenses,	1,578 31
Aid to out-door poor,	1,765 50
Soldiers' relief,	247 00
State aid,	1,825 00

Military aid,	\$182 70	
Union Bridge repairs,	14 50	
New Union Bridge construction,	1,405 25	
Soldiers' burial,	35 00	
	<hr/>	\$11,692 48

Amount refunded by State and towns for out-door poor,	\$496 31	
Almshouse credits,	641 13	
State and military aid,	1,916 35	
Soldiers' relief,	180 50	
Soldiers' burial,	35 00	
Union Bridge repairs, due from Marshfield,	7 25	
Cattle inspection, due from State,	32 01	
	<hr/>	\$3,308 55
Net expense of running town affairs excepting schools,		<hr/> \$8,383 93

NORWELL, Jan. 28, 1901.

I have examined the accounts of the Selectmen, Treasurer and Collector and find them cast correctly and proper vouchers for all payments made.

GEO. CUSHING,
Auditor.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

LIABILITIES.

Notes in favor of South Scituate Savings Bank,	\$10,500 00
Notes in favor of Coffin Poor Fund,	2,000 00
Notes in favor of A. T. Otis Poor Fund,	1,300 00

ASSETS.

Due from—

State for state aid,	\$1,825 00
State for aid to poor,	4 00
State for soldiers' burial,	70 00
Marshfield for soldiers' relief,	102 50
Cohasset for aid to poor,	40 58
Duxbury for aid to poor,	72 50
Scituate for aid to poor,	23 95
Holbrook for aid to poor,	104 00
Hull for aid to poor,	3 50
Scituate for lumber,	13 92
State for inspection of cattle,	33 01
Granderson mortgage,	150 00
John F. Osborn, board of wife,	254 70
Corporation and bank taxes, estimated,	175 00
Outstanding tax of 1894,	10 66
Cash in hand of treasurer,	1,433 29

LIST OF JURORS.

A list of persons qualified to serve as jurors to be presented to the town for acceptance or revision :

Clifton S. Dean,	Teacher.
James L. Litchfield,	Farmer.
Walter T. Osborn	
Orlando H. Lake,	Farmer.
William S. Simmons,	Miller.
Edwin C. Briggs,	Farmer.
Charles D. Barnard,	Harnessmaker.
Joseph C. Otis,	Clerk.
Wallace M. Shaw,	Farmer.
John Corthell,	Butcher.
Henry J. Tolman,	Carpenter.
Joseph H. Hatch,	Farmer.
Henry F. Ford,	Trader.
Asa W. Robinson,	Shoemaker.
George W. Curtis,	Trader.
James E. Stodard,	Shoemaker.
Arthur F. Stoddard,	Cutter.
James H. Studley,	Shoemaker.
Jesse Reed,	Farmer.
James H. Pinkham,	Storekeeper.
Edward E. Jacobs,	Farmer.
George S. Corthell,	Butcher.
George B. Ellms,	Farmer.
Andrew S. Richardson,	Farmer.
David Bassford,	Carpenter.
Edwin M. Sexton,	Farmer.
Nathan S. Turner,	Farmer.
Charles H. Wilder,	Butcher.

TWENTY-THIRD ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

TRUSTEES OF THE COFFIN FUND.

Amount of fund,		\$2,000 00
(Loaned to town at 4 per cent.)		
On hand Jan. 1, 1900,	\$122 30	
Interest on bank book,	3 14	
Interest on town note,	80 00	
	<hr/>	\$205 44
Paid—		
Care of cemetery lot,	\$5 00	
Worthy poor,	73 50	
On hand Jan. 1, 1901,	126 94	
	<hr/>	\$205 44

FIFTEENTH ANNUAL REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES

OF THE

A. T. OTIS CEMETERY AND TOMB FUND.

Amount of fund deposited in South		
Scituate Savings Bank,		\$1,500 00
Interest on Jan. 1st, 1900,	\$183 42	
Interest to July, 1900,	67 98	
	<hr/>	\$1,751 40
Paid for care of lots,	\$30 00	
Interest on deposit Jan. 1st, 1901,	221 40	
Fund on deposit Jan. 1st, 1901,	1,500 00	
	<hr/>	\$1,751 40

NINTH ANNUAL REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES

OF THE

SAMUEL C. CUDWORTH CEMETERY FUND.

Fund on deposit Jan. 1st, 1900,	\$200 00	
Interest on deposit Jan. 1st, 1900,	2 90	
Interest to July, 1900,	8 16	
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Paid for care of lot,	\$4 00	
Interest on deposit Jan. 1st, 1901,	7 06	
Fund on deposit Jan. 1st, 1901,	200 00	
	<hr/>	\$211 06

SIXTH ANNUAL REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES

OF THE

PRUDENCE C. DELANO TOMB FUND.

Amount of fund,	\$300 00	
Interest on deposit Jan. 1st, 1900,	32 23	
Interest to July, 1900,	13 40	
	<hr/>	\$345 63
Paid for care of lot,	\$5 00	
Interest on deposit Jan. 1st, 1901,	40 63	
Fund on deposit Jan. 1st, 1901,	300 00	
	<hr/>	\$345 63

THIRTEENTH ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

TRUSTEES OF THE JOSSLYN CEMETERY FUND.

Amount of fund,	\$200 00	
Interest on deposit Jan. 1st, 1900,	33 02	
Interest to July, 1900,	9 40	
	<hr/>	\$242 42
 Paid for care of lot,	 \$8 00	
Interest on deposit Jan. 1st, 1901,	34 42	
Fund on deposit Jan. 1, 1901,	200 00	
	<hr/>	\$242 42

THIRD ANNUAL REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES

OF THE

NANCY HERSEY CEMETERY FUND.

Amount of fund,	\$100 00	
Interest on deposit Jan. 1st, 1900,	7 32	
Interest to July, 1900,	4 32	
	<hr/>	\$111 64
 Paid for care of lot,	 \$3 00	
Interest on deposit Jan. 1st, 1901,	8 64	
Fund on deposit Jan. 1st, 1901,	100 90	
	<hr/>	\$111 64

FIRST REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES
OF THE
BETSEY B. TOLMAN CEMETERY FUND.

Amount of fund,	\$100 00
Received and deposited in South Scituate Savings Bank June 4th, 1900.	
No interest and no payment.	

SIXTEENTH ANNUAL REPORT
OF THE
TRUSTEES OF THE A. T. OTIS POOR FUND.

Amount of fund,	\$2,000 00
Loaned to town at 4 per cent.,	\$1,300 00
Due on house in Alabama,	300 00
On deposit in South Scituate Sav- ings Bank,	400 00
	<hr/> \$2,000 00
On hand Jan. 1st, 1900,	\$110 73
Interest on bank books,	36 00
Interest on Alabama House,	20 81
Interest on town note,	52 00
	<hr/> \$219 54
Paid—	
Inmates of almshouse,	\$17 00
Worthy poor,	62 50
On hand Jan. 1st, 1901,	140 04
	<hr/> \$219 54

It will be seen by comparing this report with that of last year that we have carried surplus on account of Alabama house to the income account, which makes an increase in the income account of \$32.56.

GEO. W. GRIGGS,
ALPHEUS THOMAS,
HENRY D. SMITH,

Trustees.

CITIZENS' CAUCUS.

The citizens of the town of Norwell are requested to meet at the Town Hall, Norwell, on Saturday evening, Feb. 23, 1901, at half-past seven o'clock, to nominate town officers for the ensuing year, and to transact any other business that may properly come before them.

PER ORDER OF THE SELECTMEN.

TOWN CLERK'S REPORT.

MARRIAGES IN NORWELL FOR THE YEAR 1900.

- March 10. In North Scituate, Anthony Joseph Smith of Cohasset and Belle Fremont Wilder of Norwell, by Rev. Albert D. Spaulding.
- April 7. In Norwell, Joseph W. Hatch and Hortense Bunker, both of Norwell, by Rev. Thomas Thompson.
- April 14. In Hanover, Henry W. Bates of Norwell and Nellie W. Hammond of Hanover, by Rev. Melvin S. Nash.
- April 19. In Norwell, George H. Pinkham and Lillian A. Dennis, both of Norwell, by Rev. John Wild.
- June 2. In Hanover, Moses Hebbert of Norwell and Laura Duclough of Stanfall, Canada, by Rev. Edwin G. Copeland.
- June 6. In Norwell, Erville E. Lewis and Flora E. Turner, both of Hanover, by Rev. Melvin S. Nash.
- June 6. In Norwell, Willard A. Little of Boston and Martha W. Torrey of Norwell, by Rev. Thomas Thompson.
- June 21. In Hanover, Robert W. MacDonald and Nellie F. Stockbridge both of Norwell, by Rev. Melvin S. Nash.

- July 8. In Norwell, Everett Jacobs and Bertha Damon, both of Norwell, by Rev. Thomas H. Goodwin.
- July 15. In South Hanson, James E. Otis, Jr., of Scituate and Lucy Litchfield of Norwell, by Rev. Daniel M. Cleveland.
- Aug. 4. In Beechwood, Lewis G. Bates of Norwell and Jennie Turner of Roxbury, by Rev. Frank Park.
- Sept. 26. In Hanover, Harry M. MacDonald and Mabel P. Dyer, both of Norwell, by Rev. Melvin S. Nash.
- Oct. 24. In Weymouth, Mason L. Loring of Norwell and Mabel Dexheimer of Weymouth, by Rev. Henry S. Snyder.
- Dec. 5. In Hanover, George H. Wilder and Alice F. Vining, both of Norwell, by Rev. Melvin S. Nash.
- Dec. 25. In Norwell, George M. Jenkins of Scituate and Florence M. Ainslee of Norwell, by Rev. Thomas H. Goodwin.

The following marriage occurred in 1899, but did not appear in the report on account of a mistake in the return:

- Sept. 16, 1899. In Rockland, William O. Prouty and Edna F. Gardner, both of Norwell, by Rev. Fred Hovey Allen.

BIRTHS IN NORWELL FOR THE YEAR 1900.

DATE OF BIRTH.	NAME OF CHILD.	NAME OF PARENTS.
February	23. Rose	W. B.
March	9. Ruth Jacobs Loring . .	Alfred H. and Jennie.
	28. Lawrence William Prouty.	William O. and Edna F.
April	29. Lester Marshall Griffin .	Brenton H. and Addie C.
May	25. Gladys Viola Costello . .	James and Rebecca.
June	1. Grace Lavinia Damon . .	Wallace H. and Fannie.
	10. Arthur Leo Monahan . .	John and Mattie.
	18. Mary Caroline Turner . .	William D. and Edith.
July	11. Melissa Joseph	Emanuel P. and Nettie.
August	19. Alma Elizabeth Litchfield.	Andrew J. Jr., and Bessie.
	22. John Lester Smith . . .	Anthony J. and Belle F.
September	26. Floyd Henry Osborne . .	John and Emily.
	30. Albert Hugo Dettwiler . .	Albert and Louisa.
October	8. Ethel May Soule	Whitman C. and Hattie B.
	21. ——— Cromwell	—— Mabel Cromwell.
	29. Elizabeth Theresa Jacobs.	Edwin E. and Mabel F.
November	21. Evelyn Eliza Ford . . .	Atwood L. and Florence.
December	28. Verna L. Ainslie	Elery F. and Mary.
1899.		
April	13. Clement Rogers Thomas .	Charles W. and Flora G.

The return of the above birth was omitted until after the 1899 report was published.

DEATHS IN NORWELL FOR THE YEAR 1900.

DATE.	NAME.	AGE. Y. M. D.	CAUSE OF DEATH.	PLACE OF BIRTH.
January 16.	Thomas R. Lawrence.	73 3 —	Bright's Disease.	Scituate.
22.	Mary Ann Stoddard.	82 8 —	Old Age.	Connecticut.
March 4.	Annie S. Prouty.	45 10 —	La Grippe.	Louisiana.
10.	Howard R. King.	— 2 22	Bronco-Pneumonia.	Norwell.
22.	Lavinia E. White.	59 — —	Bronchitis.	Stoneham.
25.	William J. Kender.	79 6 —	Old Age and La Grippe.	Scituate.
28.	Betsey B. Tolman.	91 — —	Old Age and La Grippe.	Not given.
April 7.	Catherine M. Briggs.	65 7 2	General Debility.	South Scituate.
12.	Rufus B. Farrar.	70 8 —	Apoplexy.	Scituate.
14.	Josephus J. Sutphen.	69 2 —	Bright's Disease.	Michigan.
29.	Lucy B. Buttrick.	77 — —	Chronic Bronchitis.	Scituate.
May 5.	J. Francis H. Jordan.	9 — —	Phthisis.	Nova Scotia.
7.	John McKee.	70 — —	Rheumatism and Cordias.	Ireland.
5.	Walter Dillon.	— 8 —	Cholera Infantum.	South Boston.
6.	Melissa Joseph.	— 1 —	Asthemia.	Norwell.
20.	Stacy I. Collamore.	1 — —	Inanition.	Norwell.
September 3.	Fannie J. Keene.	51 8 19	Maemia.	Randolph.
15.	Mary L. Stockbridge.	69 7 —	Atony of Stomach.	Scituate.
23.	Samuel Keene.	66 — —	Cancer; Hemorrhage from Stomach.	Maine.
November 19.	William L. Henderson.	77 6 —	Cystitis.	Hanover.
December 2.	Frederick H. Curtis.	62 8 —	Pneumonia.	Hanover.
3.	Esther Jacobs.	66 7 —	Paralysis.	South Scituate.
10.	David W. Turner.	67 9 —	Nephritis.	Scituate.
19.	Belinda Reed.	75 10 —	Intestinal Cancer.	Weymouth.

In accordance with Chapter 444, Section 17 of the Acts of 1897, the Town Clerk hereby gives public notice that he is prepared to furnish to parents, householders, physicians and midwives applying therefor, blanks for the return of births as required by law.

Respectfully submitted,
JOSEPH C. OTIS, Town Clerk.

ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

SCHOOL COMMITTEE

OF THE

TOWN OF NORWELL,

FOR THE YEAR 1900.

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REPORT OF THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

To the Citizens of Norwell:

In presenting to you the report of the School Committee for the year of 1900, we beg your indulgence if we recapitulate somewhat the work of last year.

It had been manifest for some years to the committee and superintendent, as the reports of previous years will show, that the school system of this town previous to 1899, was out of date, and that it was next to impossible to expect better work under the existing conditions; and while we were expending quite a sum upon our schools as they were, that it was possible by the addition of a comparatively small amount per year, for us to obtain far better results than we were getting at that time.

The first change for the better came with the consolidation of schools made last year, and the opening of two more grammar schools.

At your last meeting you very generously gave us the additional amount asked for, and we hope to convince you, if we have not already done so, that the money has been well expended.

SUPERVISION.

One of the first changes of the past year was made last April, when it was decided after several meetings of the joint committee of the towns of Hanson, Hanover and Nor-

well, that a change in superintendent be made. It was felt that for the best interest of our schools, that some such action must be taken, that we were not getting as efficient supervision as we had a right to expect, and this of itself was one of the reasons why our schools were not doing the work the committee felt that teachers and pupils were capable of doing.

On April 21st, 1900, after interviewing eleven candidates for the vacant position, the choice of Mr. C. A. Record of our own high school was made.

This has proved a wise one in every way. Mr. Record entered upon his work with a thorough knowledge of our deficiencies, and in the interim has done a great deal to improve the work of the schools.

If we are fortunate enough to keep him for a time we feel that he will make the work of our schools compare favorably with that of other towns of this size.

TEACHERS.

The position of principal of our high school, made vacant by the resignation of Mr. Record, has been filled by Mr. Allison G. Catheron, a graduate of Bates College, to the perfect satisfaction of superintendent and committee. We are more than fortunate to secure a gentleman of Mr. Catheron's ability for the comparatively small sum that we have been paying him.

No changes have been necessary in our old corps of teachers. Since the beginning of the school year in September they have endeavored to carry out the ideas of the superintendent faithfully and conscientiously.

For new teachers we have Miss Richardson in the Ridge Hill Primary and Miss Scully for grammar school work at the high.

SCHOOLS.

During the spring vacation it was learned that our already small school at District No. 2 was to be very much smaller at the opening of the next term. Eleven of its pupils were to attend the new school at Assinippi, and several others wished to return to Ridge Hill, to which school they naturally belonged. For these reasons it seemed desirable to open the proposed grammar school at Ridge Hill without waiting until September.

The committee viewed the building at that place and found the upper room that had not been in use by us in need of some repairs, and the floor to the lower room quite unsafe. While these repairs had not been expected, it was necessary that they should be done before setting new furniture.

New furniture for the primary room was a necessity, and not enough old of the proper size was available for the grammar room. Satisfactory arrangements were made with the Chandler Co., and new furniture for both rooms was purchased.

All the buildings now in use are furnished with single desks, with the exception of No. 4, so that more expense for new furniture is unlikely to occur for a good many years.

The school at Grove street had long been a source of anxiety to the committee. It was too small for satisfactory work to be done, and it was thought to be the best plan to transfer these few scholars to the nearest school in which they could be accommodated. The rooms at the Centre were large enough for the use of all at the time, and the change was made. Within a few weeks the number of pupils belonging to District No. 5 increased so largely that the Primary School became too large for one teacher to do satisfactory work, so an assistant was secured for the re-

mainder of the term. Miss Mary Schenck was given the position at \$3.50 per week.

This arrangement was not satisfactory for a permanent one, and many plans were proposed to relieve the congested school. The first plan proposed was to open a primary school in either No. 3 or No. 6, but as neither school would contain ten scholars, that plan was dropped. The other feasible plans were, 1st, to move the building at No. 6 to the Centre, and open a third room there; 2d, to build an additional room on the Centre building, and 3d, to take the 7th and 8th grades, the scholars of which corresponded more nearly in size to the high school scholars, and transfer them to the high school building, where room could be made for them.

Either of the first two plans would involve the town in expense that we were anxious to avoid, and the third plan was adopted as the best that could be done for the time being, and Miss Martha C. Scully, a graduate of the Bridgewater Normal School was secured as teacher for these grades, and to assist somewhat in the high school work.

This plan has worked fairly well, and if the building was at all suitable for the purpose, better work could be done.

A building large enough to accommodate our high and all three grammar schools would be the best solution of this problem, where we have transportation.

The increased cost of transportation would be more than offset by the difference in the pay of teachers, as the grammar work could be done by two, where we now have three.

Another plan that could be carried out with little expense would be to utilize the now unused building at District No. 2, and put both schools there. As the whole of the building is now available, it is amply large for the purpose. This suggestion has met with favor from the teachers and superintendent. The pupils left at the Centre

were then divided into primary and intermediate schools, allowing three grades in each room.

This is as many as can be taught satisfactorily in the primary school, as both first and second grades are divided into two classes each, owing to various causes. Both schools are now doing good work.

Since the beginning of the fall term our school work has greatly improved, the teachers in the larger schools now teaching three grades instead of four.

The work of the grammar room at the high school building has been satisfactory. As there are but two grades in this room, the extra time that the teachers can give the pupils is productive of good that is already discernible.

TEXT BOOKS AND SUPPLIES.

Some changes have been made in books this year that are improving the work of the schools. This is particularly noticeable of the introduction of the Nichols Arithmetic.

In June it was found necessary to purchase new diplomas for our graduates. After much search we learned that it would be far cheaper in the end to own a plate from which these could be engraved each year. The expense of engraved diplomas for this year would have been \$20. A plate was purchased at a cost of \$44, by the use of which the expense of the diplomas for each succeeding year will be very slight.

TRANSPORTATION.

The transportation for the year has been done by contract. The contract for transferring the pupils to Ridge Hill, and the Ridge Hill pupils to the high school, was given to William F. Lapham for two hundred and ninety-seven dollars.

Benjamin Loring was awarded the contract for transportation of the District No. 3 pupils for \$300, and the transportation of pupils in Nos. 4, 5 and 6 has been done by E. P. Joseph for \$425.

The vaccination question was a source of much conflict during the summer, but believe it is all settled according to law. Some of our people have not seemed to realize that this is a state law, as much the duty of the committee to enforce as any other school law. In the performance of their duty the committee have not exceeded their authority and have been anxious to proceed, when action was necessary, in the least objectionable manner.

As the returns to the state board are now made, all school expenses except those for repairs and incidentals are included under the head of support of schools, and it is advised that for convenience the amount usually divided into four be raised in one appropriation.

We therefore ask you for the sum of \$5,200. This is about the same as this year's appropriation, and is deemed sufficient for the coming year.

Respectfully submitted,

BENJAMIN LORING,
ISRAEL HATCH,
MARY L. F. POWER,

School Committee of Norwell.

EXPENDITURES CHARGEABLE TO THE APPROPRIATION.

FOR THE WINTER TERM OF TEN WEEKS OF THE
YEAR 1900.

DISTRICT No. 1.

Della F. Nichols, teaching,	\$90 00	
Benjamin H. Delano, care of room,	5 00	
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		\$95 00

DISTRICT No. 2.

Eva E. Eagles, teaching,	\$80 00	
C. H. Baker, care of room,	16 00	
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		\$96 00

DISTRICT No. 3.

Sara L. Bates, teaching,	\$80 00	
Eva M. Totman, care of room,	5 00	
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		\$85 00

DISTRICT No. 4.

Louise E. Ford, teaching,	\$90 00	
Ralph D. Merritt, care of room,	3 50	
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		\$93 50

DISTRICT No. 5.

Marion G. Merritt, teaching,	\$90 00	
Nellie M. Sparrell, teaching,	90 00	

E. W. French, care of rooms,	\$15 00	
	<hr/>	\$195 00

DISTRICT No. 7.

Sophia M. Buttrick, teaching,	\$90 00	
Maria W. Tolman,	90 00	
Wm. C. Tolman, Jr., building fires,	2 00	
Rosa Lee, care of rooms,	2 00	
Mary Chenevert, care of rooms,	2 00	
	<hr/>	\$186 00

HIGH SCHOOL.

C. A. Record, teaching,	\$236 80	
Mattie S. Wilder, teaching,	90 00	
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A. Gertrude Jones, teaching drawing		\$35 00
A. J. Curtis, supervision,		150 00
E. P. Joseph, transportation to March 16, 1900,		73 50
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		\$1,335 80

**EXPENDITURES CHARGEABLE TO THE
APPROPRIATION.**

FOR THE SPRING AND FALL TERMS OF YEAR 1900.

DISTRICT No. 1.

Della F. Nichols, teaching,	\$252 00
Sarah F. Richardson, teaching,	224 00
Benjamin H. Delano, care of rooms,	22 00

Rufus Farrar, fitting wood,	\$8 00	
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DISTRICT No. 4.

Louise E. Ford, teaching,	\$252 00	
Ralph D. Merritt, care of rooms,	7 00	
John F. Leslie, fitting wood,	3 50	
	<hr/>	\$262 50

DISTRICT No. 5.

Marion G. Merritt, teaching,	\$252 00	
Nellie M. Sparrell, teaching,	252 00	
Mary A. Schenck, teaching,	30 10	
E. W. French, care of rooms,	42 00	
Samuel Brown, fitting wood,	5 00	
A. B. Conant, housing wood, 12c.,	6 00	
	<hr/>	\$587 10

DISTRICT No. 7.

Sophia M. Buttrick, teaching,	\$252 00	
Maria W. Tolman, teaching,	252 00	
W. C. Tolman, building fires,	3 00	
Rosa Lee, care of rooms,	1 50	
Mary Chenevert, care of rooms,	1 50	
S. C. Vinal, fitting wood,	10 90	
F. E. Henderson, moving wood,	1 25	
W. S. Simmons, wood,	2 50	
	<hr/>	\$524 65

HIGH SCHOOL.

C. A. Record, teaching,	\$94 72
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A. G. Catheron, teaching,	\$480 00	
Mattie S. Wilder, teaching,	252 00	
Martha C. Scully, teaching,	112 00	
Fred J. Croning, janitor,	125 00	
Geo. F. Welch, coal,	12 50	
F. J. Croning, fitting wood,	2 00	
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		\$1,078 22
A. Gertrude Jones, teaching drawing,	\$90 00	
A. J. Curtis, supervision,	50 00	
C. A. Record, supervision,	300 00	
L. F. Hammond, wood,	72 26	
W. S. & R. P. Briggs, wood No. 3,	4 50	
C. H. Baker, fitting wood No. 2,	3 50	
Joseph F. Totman, fitting wood No. 3,	4 50	
John Whalen, wood,	8 50	
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		\$3,491 73
D. W. Turner & Son, coal high school,	28 24	
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		\$3,519 97

TRANSPORTATION.

Wm. F. Lapham, to Jan. 1, 1901,	\$219 17	
Benjamin Loring, to Jan. 1, 1901,	221 16	
E. E. Stetson, to Jan. 1, 1901,	69 50	
E. P. Joseph, to June 22, 1900,	118 44	
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		\$628 17

AVAILABLE FUNDS FOR PRESENT YEAR.

Unexpended balance from last year,	\$16 69
Town appropriation,	3,600 00

Supervision,	\$250 00	
Refunded by state,	416 67	
State school fund (estimated),	394 43	
Dog tax (estimated),	294 47	
State Board Lunacy and Charity (estimated),	137 00	
Town of Rockland for schooling,	60 00	
	<hr/>	\$5,169 26
Amount expended,		3,519 97
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		\$1,649 29
Expenses to April (estimated),		1,636 80
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		\$12 49

SCHOOL BOOKS AND SUPPLIES.

E. E. Babb & Co., supplies,	\$69 83
Silver, Burdett & Co., supplies,	61 90
Ginn & Company, supplies,	73 09
American Book Co., supplies,	73 28
Joseph Gillott & Sons, pens,	9 75
W. E. Bonney, ink,	2 00
L. E. Knott & Co., supplies,	4 82
Benjamin Loring, supplies,	7 30
Wadsworth, Howland & Co., supplies,	2 41
D. C. Heath & Co., supplies,	2 50
Thompson, Brown & Co., supplies,	12 80
C. A. Record, Library World's Best Literature,	50 00
Houghton, Mifflin & Co., supplies,	2 48
T. H. Castor & Co., supplies,	4 50
J. L. Hammett, supplies,	1 20

Geo. P. Brown, supplies,	\$2 00	
A. G. Catheron, supplies,	3 06	
J. S. Smith, printing,	20 00	
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		\$402 92
Samuel Ward & Co., diploma plate,		44 00
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		\$446 92

REPAIRS AND INCIDENTALS.

DISTRICT No. 1.

Phillips, Bates & Co., lumber for floor,	\$30 87	
Benjamin Loring, labor and supplies,	49 00	
Benjamin Loring, for C. H. Totman,		
repairs,	5 92	
Chandler Adjustable Chair and Desk		
Co., furniture,	118 80	
T. H. Prouty, labor,	82 76	
John A. Loring, repairs on stoves,	5 75	
Annie F. Scully, cleaning,	12 00	
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		\$305 10

DISTRICT No. 2.

C. H. Baker, labor,	\$5 00	
Ellsworth Curtis, labor and material,	9 85	
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		\$14 85

DISTRICT No. 3.

W. H. Hackett, lumber for wood-		
shed floor,	\$5 63	
Ellsworth Curtis, labor and material,	6 55	
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		\$12 18

DISTRICT No. 4.

C. C. Merritt, water,	\$3 00	
Charles S. Merritt, repairs,	6 85	
Mary A. Osborne, cleaning,	5 00	
John Whalen, labor,	3 00	
	<hr/>	\$17 85

DISTRICT No. 5.

Geo. W. Griggs, labor and material,	\$3 00	
Geo. W. Griggs, resetting desks,	4 00	
C. L. Rice & Co., shades,	3 61	
Samuel L. Brown, labor,	3 00	
E. P. Joseph, moving woodshed and contents from No. 3,	24 00	
Mary A. Osborne, cleaning,	10 00	
E. W. French, labor,	1 50	
A. L. Power, moving furniture, etc., from No. 3,	3 93	
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DISTRICT No. 6.

A. L. Power, material for fence and labor,	\$6 00
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DISTRICT No. 7.

Phillips, Bates & Co., material,	\$5 06
J. A. Loring, repairs on stove,	1 50
Chandler Adjustable Desk Co., slate boards,	69 00
C. L. Rice & Co., curtains,	15 53
E. A. Parker, water,	5 00

S. C. Vinal, labor,	\$2 00	
E. L. Winslow, cleaning,	9 00	
Chas. Simmons, labor,	1 50	
	<hr/>	\$108 59

HIGH SCHOOL.

Hedge & Hall, stove,	\$22 00	
C. H. Lapham, labor and material,	25 50	
F. J. Croning, cleaning,	7 00	
C. L. Rice & Co., chairs,	6 60	
J. A. Loring, repairs on stove,	8 65	
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C. H. Baker, cleaning stove pipes,	\$6 00
D. W. Fisher & Co., 1 doz. dusters,	6 00

Graduation expenses :

Samuel Ward & Co., invitations,	\$17 50	
Sheet music,	3 84	
Ribbon for diplomas,	1 70	
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F. F. Douglas, vaccination notices,	1 75	
J. R. Collamore, expressing,	6 55	
Vining & Matthews, advertising,	7 50	
Benjamin Loring, telephoning school business,	1 20	
Melvin S. Nash, Norwell's share of institute ex- penses,		
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		\$644 40

ABSTRACT FROM REGISTERS.

	WINTER TERM. 1900.				SPRING TERM. 1900.				FALL TERM. 1900.				FOR YEAR.			
	Number Enrolled.	Average Membership.	Average Attendance.	Per cent. of Attendance.	Number of Visitors.	Number Enrolled.	Average Membership.	Average Attendance.	Per cent. of Attendance.	Number of Visitors.	Number Enrolled.	Average Membership.		Average Attendance.	Per cent. of Attendance.	Number of Visitors.
High School	40	39	33	36	39	90	10	39	38	33	36	94	9	38	35	—
Ridge Hill Grammar	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	22	21	66	20	74	95	78	25	23
Ridge Hill Primary	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	28	25	71	23	35	89	43	31	28
Central Street Mixed	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	31	27	90	25	35	89	20	29	25
Centre—Grammar	33	31	33	29	65	94	21	32	30	88	27	85	89	26	39	31
Centre—Primary	34	33	5	30	12	89	12	44	38	32	33	84	28	81	19	18
Church Hill—Grammar	27	20	14	68	12	68	12	—	—	—	—	—	—	19	18	10
Church Hill—Primary	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	22	19	8
Centre—Intermediate	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	82	19	28
Grammar at High	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	23	22	81
Ridge Hill Mixed	33	32	65	27	49	84	21	—	—	—	—	—	—	20	17	6
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														81	24	21
														79	19	72
														91	28	20

SCHOOLS.

GRADUATION EXERCISES.

NORWELL HIGH SCHOOL.—CLASS OF 1900.

Class Motto: "Row, not Drift."

GRADUATES.

Edward Leslie Farrar,
John Ripley Litchfield.
Lester Wright Osborne.
Roy Henry Richardson.
Jared Ainslie Gardner.

Grace Mildred Thompson.
Sarah Alice Litchfield.
Fanny Priscilla Delano.
Edith Maria Osborne.
Susan Marion Ewell.

ORDER OF EXERCISES.

Music—"Hark! 'tis the Signal,"

Carl Bohm

SCHOOL.

Prayer.

Salutatory and Essay—"What the World Owes to the
Anglo Saxon,"

Edward Leslie Farrar

Class History,

Grace Mildred Thompson

Essay—"The Future of the Grand Army of the Republic,"

John Ripley Litchfield

Vocal Solo—"The Holy City,"

Lester Wright Osborne

Essay—"The Power of Music,"

Sarah Alice Litchfield

"The Seniors in Rhyme,"

Roy Henry Richardson

Essay—"The Influence of Art in the Home and School,"

Fanny Priscilla Delano

Music—"The Chase,"

Geibel

Oration—"Abraham Lincoln,"

Lester Wright Osborne

Essay—"What Spare Moments May Accomplish,"

Edith Maria Osborne

Class Prophecy,

Jared Ainslie Gardner

Essay—"Row, not Drift," with Valedictory Address,

Susan Marion Ewell

Music—"Graduation Song,"

Cooper

GRADUATING CLASS.

Presentation of Diplomas.

Benediction.

NORWELL, MASS., Jan. 23, 1901.

I have examined the accounts of the School Committee
and find vouchers for all amounts paid.

GEO. CUSHING,
Auditor.

REPORT OF SUPERINTENDENT.

To the School Committee of Norwell:

I have the honor to submit to you and to the citizens of this town the annual report of the superintendent of schools.

GENERAL CONDITIONS.

The schools are in good working order and their condition indicates progress in the future.

In some instances the teachers have found it impossible to bring the work up to grade, but aside from these cases, the results during the past term have been satisfactory.

THE NECESSITY OF GRAMMAR SCHOOLS.

The high school law enacted in 1898, demands that the high schools prepare pupils for the state normal schools, high scientific institutions and colleges as well as for purposes of general culture.

Since we profess to maintain a high school, we are compelled by law to meet certain requirements, and the town must recognize this fact in its decisions upon school matters.

A well graded system in the elementary schools is necessary, if the high school is to be maintained.

The elementary schools, as they were graded previous to the past year so inadequately prepared their pupils that only the exceptionally bright ones could meet the requirements demanded of the high school, by the state law.

TEXT BOOKS.

The text books in language and arithmetic were changed previous to the opening of the schools in September. Although the new books have been in use but a short time good results are manifest.

Other changes in and additions to the equipment of the schools should be made as soon as the financial condition of the town will permit.

The teachers find it very difficult to introduce the best methods into some lines of their work on account of insufficient equipment.

MODERN METHODS.

The entire conception of education has undergone a great change during the last few years.

Much that formerly was considered indispensable has been eliminated as non-essential.

Arithmetic affords a good illustration of this.

Until within a few years the entire text book was taught from cover to cover, now much that is impractical is being omitted.

The custom of introducing work in number, consisting of all the combinations from one to ten together with drill in fractional forms and denominate numbers, is also being discontinued by many towns ranking high in educational interests, in the belief that this work has been prematurely introduced.

The method of teaching geography, has received much attention of late. As formerly taught it was but a memory exercise and all that was most valuable to the pupils was lost.

Says a prominent superintendent: "The spirit of inquiry and investigation, the love for books of travel and for general information, and a habit of critical observation are among the most valuable possessions which proper teaching of geography should give to the pupils in our schools."

IN GENERAL.

The schools are of highest importance and if they are to be conducted successfully in this town or any other they must have the unprejudiced support of every good citizen.

Respectfully submitted,

C. A. RECORD.

HIGH SCHOOL REPORT.

To the Superintendent of Schools of Norwell:

Beginning my work in the high school near the close of the last school year, I have had time to see but few changes.

It is gratifying to report that of the last graduating class of ten at least four are pursuing their studies further, one each at the Hyannis Normal School, Thayer Academy, University of Maine, and Tufts College. In order however to keep up to the increasingly high standard set by college requirements and demanded as well by the necessity of a liberal training for those who are not to attend college it seems to me advisable that a ninth grammar grade be established lengthening the school life of the pupil by a year. This has been done in most of the city schools and brings pupils to the high school much better prepared to do the work required of them.

Through the generosity of Mr. Joseph C. Otis the equipment of the high school has been increased by a large and valuable collection of Indian relics. Additions have also been made to our library so that we now have an excellent collection of standard English literature. Work in this department loses much of its value when made compulsory. Parents can however do much to lay the foundations of a love of the best literature by encouraging their children to take advantage of the opportunities for good reading that we can now offer them.

The present accomodations of the high school seem to me very unsatisfactory. The building is heated with such difficulty that on cold days it becomes nearly and at times quite impossible to maintain a suitable temperature.

Various inconveniences arise from the fact that the main room has to serve the purposes both of town hall and of school room. The desks and chairs can not be fastened to the floor so long as they must be ready for quick removal and are therefore left to be moved hither and thither by restless pupils to the detriment of the appearance of the room and the weary ears of its occupants. Further, some time is lost each year by the necessity of adjourning school while the regular town meeting is in session.

The acoustic properties of the room are very poor. A disagreeable echo renders conversation difficult and wearing, and combined with the size of the room makes satisfactory blackboard work almost impossible.

It is to be hoped that in the near future the school may be moved to the No. 2 school house which is empty and would furnish much more satisfactory accommodations, and now that pupils are transported, would be as easily accessible as our present location.

In concluding I wish to thank you and the members of the school committee for your constant interest and intelligent cooperation in carrying forward the work of the high school.

Respectfully submitted,

ALLISON G. CATHERON.

TRANSCRIPT OF ARTICLES IN THE WARRANT.

FOR THE ANNUAL MEETING, MARCH 4, 1901,

AT 9 O'CLOCK, A. M.

ARTICLE 1. To choose a Moderator.

ART. 2. To choose a Town Clerk.

ART. 3. To hear and act on the report of the Selectmen, Overseers of the Poor, Auditor, Collector and Treasurer.

ART. 4. To choose all such Town Officers as the laws of the State and by-laws of the town require.

ART. 5. To bring in their votes "Yes" or "No" in answer to the question: Shall licenses be granted for the sale of intoxicating liquors in this town for the ensuing year?

ART. 6. What amount of money will the town raise for the support of poor and incidental expenses.

ART. 7. What sum of money will the town raise for the support of schools.

ART. 8. What some of money will the town raise for highway repairs.

ART. 9. What compensation will the town make for removing snow, and appropriate money for the same.

ART. 10. In what manner and time shall the taxes be collected the ensuing year.

ART. 11. Will the town accept the list of Jurors as prepared by the Selectmen.

ART. 12. Will the town authorize the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to hire money in anticipation of taxes.

ART. 13. To hear and act on the report of any committee heretofore chosen.

ART. 14. To make allowance to town creditors.

ART. 15. What sum of money will the town appropriate for the use of Post 112, G. A. R. on Memorial Day.

ART. 16. What sum of money will the town appropriate for the payment of State and military aid.

ART. 17. What sum of money will the town appropriate to pay the Superintendent of Schools.

ART. 18. Will the town appropriate a sum of money to pay for the transportation of scholars to the High School.

ART. 19. Will the town give any instructions to town officers.

ART. 20. Will the town cause a statement of their financial affairs to be printed in February next.

ART. 21. What sums of money will the town raise for repairs of school houses and incidentals.

ART. 22. Will the town appropriate a sum of money to be expended in the cemetery on Washington street.

ART. 23. Will the town require its teachers to make up for lost time. (By request.)

ART. 24. Will the town repair the fence around the school house yard in District No. 1. (By request.)

Citizens desiring additional articles in the warrant will present them to the Selectmen on or before Feb. 20, 1901.

GEO. W. GRIGGS,
ALPHEUS THOMAS,
HENRY D. SMITH,
Selectmen of Norwell.

Norwell, Feb. 10, 1901.





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To the Citizens of the Town of Norwell:

Your town officers respectfully submit their fifty-second annual report, as follows :

Report of the Town Treasurer.

HORACE T. FOGG, TREASURER,

in account with TOWN OF NORWELL.

DR.

To cash on hand January 28, 1901	\$1,433 29
Dog tax 1900, refunded	294 47
Income Massachusetts School Fund	504 78

REFUNDED BY THE COMMONWEALTH :

Corporation tax,	1,818 68
National bank tax	805 80
Education of Children, Acts of 1898 Chap. 100	102 50
Superintendent of schools	416 67
Military aid	95 35
State aid	1,825 00
Burial of indigent soldiers	70 00
Inspector of animals and provisions	16 50
Support of State paupers	9 00
Street Railway tax	390 37

REFUNDED BY TOWNS :

Town of Holbrook, aid	104 00
Town of Marshfield, aid	102 50
Town of Scituate, lumber from Union Bridge	13 92
Town of Whitman, aid	6 00
Town of Cohasset, aid	40 58
Town of Hull, aid	162 50
Town of Duxbury, aid	112 22
Town of Scituate, aid	23 95
City of Boston, aid	9 93
Town of Rockland, tuition	78 00
Refunded by estate of Hiram Damon	4 32
Refunded, error on order	1 68
South Scituate Savings Bank notes, anticipation of taxes	7,000 00
Sale of lots in cemetery	74 00
Fish rights	4 50
Second District Court, fines	5 10
Charles E. Bates, interest on mortgage	7 50
Cash for broken glass, District No. 5 schoolhouse	3 75
Sale of grass at Churchill	60
Board of W. E. B. Thomas	90 00
Corthell Bros., license	1 00
Harry S. Merritt, license	2 00
John B. Benson, license	2 00
Interest on temporary deposit	27 58
Excise tax	196 42
Assessment of 1901	13,196 58
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	\$29,053 04

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By cash paid on Selectmen's orders	\$16,575 71
Post 112, G. A. R., per vote of town	100 00
Alpheus Thomas, Moderator, per vote of town	10 00
Police officers and constables, Second District Court	118 29
South Scituate Savings Bank, anticipation notes	7,000 00
Interest on above notes	166 12
South Scituate Savings Bank, interest on per- manent loan	452 50
Interest on Coffin poor fund note	80 00
Interest on A. T. Otis poor fund note	52 00
Scituate tax	5 10
State tax	595 00
County tax	1,156 98
Cash on hand to balance	2,741 34
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	\$29,053 04

Respectfully submitted,

HORACE T. FOGG,

Treasurer.

Tax Collector's Report.

ANDREW J. LITCHFIELD,

in account with the TOWN OF NORWELL.

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To excise tax of Old Colony Street Railway Co.	\$196 42
To assessment of May 1, 1901	13,196 58
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	\$13,393 00

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By excise tax paid Treasurer	\$196 42
By cash paid Treasurer	12,912 43
By cash deposited with the Treas- urer in accordance with the vote of the town	284 15
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	\$13,393 00

ANDREW J. LITCHFIELD,

Collector.

Assessors' Report.

Value of buildings	\$4,395 41	
of land	2,448 74	
		\$6,844 15
Value of personal estate		1,616 94
Total		\$8,461 09
Number of polls	464	
Paying poll tax only	141	
Horses assessed	442	
Cows assessed	237	
Sheep assessed	62	
Neat cattle other than cows	47	
Swine assessed	33	
Fowl assessed	8,109	
Dwelling houses assessed	443	
Acres of land	12,017½	
Assessors' warrant to Collector		\$13,196 58
Street Railway excise tax		196 42
State tax	\$595 00	
County tax	1,156 98	
Town tax	11,002 00	
Overlaying	442 60	
		\$13,393 00

Rate of taxation, \$14.50 on \$1,000.

ABATEMENT OF TAXES.

1901.

Arvid Akerstadt,	tax of 1900	\$2 37
Winslow T. Burgess,	"	2 00
Laban R. Bates,	"	2 22
David H. Bates,	"	2 37
Henry Conlon,	"	2 00
Charles E. McPherson	"	2 73
John Mahon,	"	2 00
John Ryan,	"	2 00
Mary Shepherd,	"	7 25
Henry Clapp (heirs),	"	37
Angeline V. Rogers,	"	4 33
Mary R. Tanner,	"	7 25
Charles H. Cunningham,	"	2 36
Charles David,	"	3 67
Charles H. Kendall,	"	2 00
Samuel Keene,	"	2 00
James W. Smith,	"	2 00
James H. Whitman (heirs),	"	03
Wallace Chapel,	"	2 00
Henry A. Damon,	"	2 00
Everett Jacobs,	"	58
William H. Pratt,	"	2 00
George H. Wilder,	"	44
William C. Litchfield,	"	2 36
Benjamin Briggs,	"	12 66
Ezekiel C. Gunderway,	"	6 42
Henry Clapp (heirs) 1897, '98, '99		1 07
James H. Whitman (heirs), 1897, '98, '99		70
James H. Trainor, 1897; '98		4 00
Gilbert S. Trefethen, 1899		2 00

William P. Newell,	Tax of 1899.	2 00
Louise E. Newell,	"	4 50
George Taylor,	"	2 00
Alden Beach,	"	2 00
William H. Pratt,	"	2 00
Herbert T. Smith,	"	2 00
George Jenkins,	"	08
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		\$99 76

GEORGE W. GRIGGS,
ALPHEUS THOMAS,
HENRY D. SMITH,

Assessors of Norwell.

Highways.

DISTRICT No. 1.

Share of appropriation	\$256 92
Timothy Sheehan, 15 days at \$2.00,	\$30 00
Timothy Sheehan, cash paid for drain pipe,	3 60
C. E. Brewster and 2 horses, 14 hours at 50c,	7 00
C. E. Brewster and 2 horses, 9 hours at 33 $\frac{1}{3}$ c,	3 00
Wm. H. Farrar and 2 horses, 65 hours at 50c,	32 50
John Collamore and 2 horses, 23 hours at 50c,	11 50
Jerry Sheehan and 1 horse, 69 hours at 33 $\frac{1}{3}$ c,	23 00
Jerry Sheehan, 18 hours at 20c,	3 60
Samuel Loring, 118 hours at 20c,	23 60
George H. Bates, 96 hours at 20c,	19 20
Charles Scully, 104 hours at 20c,	20 80
Alpheus Thomas, 13 hours at 20c,	2 60
Edward Loring, 27 hours at 20c,	5 40
Edward Loring and 1 horse, 9 hours at 33 $\frac{1}{3}$ c,	3 00
Brenton H. Griffin, 38 hours at 20c,	7 60
Edwin C. Briggs, 18 hours at 20c,	3 60
Daniel Barnes and 2 horses, 34 hours at 50c,	17 00
Wm. W. Collamore and 2 horses, 18 hours at 50c,	9 00
Charles V. Chapman, 9 hours at 20c,	1 80
Samuel Loring, gravel,	18
C. B. Collins, gravel,	4 00
John W. Brown, gravel,	3 72
Samuel Litchfield, gravel,	3 14

Elisha Sprague, gravel,	1 50
E. W. Gardner, iron work,	2 00
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	\$241 34

TIMOTHY SHEEHAN,
Surveyor.

DISTRICT No. 2.

Share of appropriation	\$405 14
Edward A. Jacobs, 20 days at \$2.00,	40 00
Edward A. Jacobs, man and 2 horses, 153½ hours at 50c,	76 75
Edward A. Jacobs, man, 23 hours at 20c,	4 60
Edward A. Jacobs, 2 horses, 2 days,	6 00
Edward A. Jacobs, 2 stone forks,	2 50
Edward A. Jacobs, railing for bridge,	1 00
George Rix and 2 horses, 67 hours at 50c,	33 50
Wm. T. Lapham and 1 horse, 111½ hours at 33⅓c,	37 17
Benjamin Loring and 2 horses, 63 hours at 50c,	31 50
E. Everett Jacobs and 2 horses, 40½ hours at 50c,	20 25
Joshua Freeman and 2 horses, 25 hours at 50c,	12 50
J. Briggs and 2 horses, 44 hours at 50c,	22 00
Andrew Clapp and 1 horse, 14 hours at 33⅓c,	4 67
Wallace Damon, 40½ hours at 20c,	8 10
Simeon Damon, 137½ hours at 20c,	27 50
John Gunderway, 8½ hours at 20c,	1 70
Frank Damon, 24 hours at 20c,	4 80
Andrew Clapp, 116½ hours at 20c,	23 30
James F. Crocker, 24 hours at 20c,	4 80
Carlton W. Pinsen, 16 hours at 20c,	3 20
Chauncey D. Litchfield, 36 hours at 20c,	7 20
Alonzo Stoddard, 128½ hours at 20c,	25 70

Chas. H. Kendall, 57 hours at 20c,	11 40
Alden Damon, 48 hours at 20c,	9 00
Henry Fox, 22 hours at 20c,	4 40
Arthur Bourette, 9 hours at 20c,	1 80
Ezekiel Gunderway, 22 hours at 20c,	4 40
Henry Studley, 9 hours at 20c,	1 80
O. D. Burkoff, 9 hours at 20c,	1 80
B. Jacobs' estate, gravel	12 00
Enoch Johnsen, gravel,	10 80
Mrs. George E. Bates, gravel,	6 00
George W. Rix, gravel,	4 14
A. J. Litchfield & Son, tools,	2 25
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	\$469 13

EDWARD A. JACOBS,

Surveyor.

DISTRICT No. 3.

Share of appropriation	\$439 72
C. O. Litchfield, 13 $\frac{1}{2}$ days at \$2.00,	\$26 50
C. O. Litchfield, 1 man and 2 horses, 112 $\frac{1}{2}$ hours at 50c,	56 25
C. O. Litchfield, 1 horse, 31 hours at 16 $\frac{2}{3}$ c,	5 16
C. O. Litchfield, paid for tools,	13 00
Clifford Brett and 4 horses, 15 $\frac{1}{2}$ hours at 83 $\frac{1}{3}$ c,	12 92
Clifford Brett and 2 horses, 38 hours at 50c,	19 00
Fred Bates, 9 hours at 20c,	1 80
Fred Bates and 2 horses, 74 hours at 50c,	37 00
Walter Simmons, 15 $\frac{1}{2}$ hours at 20c,	3 10
Walter Simmons and 2 horses, 3 hours at 50c,	1 50
Wallace Hackett, 1 man and 2 horses, 27 hours at 50c,	13 50

Robert Leavitt, 68 hours at 20c,	13 60
Robert Leavitt and 1 horse, 40 hours at $33\frac{1}{3}$ c,	13 33
Levi Osborne and 1 horse, 21 hours at $33\frac{1}{3}$ c,	7 00
Levi Osborne, $57\frac{1}{2}$ hours at 20c,	11 50
George Vinal, 53 hours at 20c,	10 60
Henry Leavitt, 42 hours at 20c,	8 40
Alvin Baker, 38 hours at 20c,	7 60
Frank White, 24 hours at 20c,	4 80
Ed Winslow, $44\frac{1}{2}$ hours at 20c,	8 90
Henry Winslow, 55 hours at 20c,	11 00
Harry Richardson, 121 hours at 20c,	24 20
George Richardson, $34\frac{1}{2}$ hours at 20c,	6 90
Earl Richardson, 34 hours at 20c,	6 80
Alvin Vinal, $106\frac{1}{2}$ hours at 20c,	21 30
Scot Osborne, 7 hours at 20c,	1 40
Harry Gardner, 21 hours at 20c,	4 20
J. Totman, 83 hours at 20c,	16 60
Rufus Winslow, 32 hours at 20c,	6 40
Roy Richardson, $18\frac{1}{2}$ hours at 20c,	3 70
Phineas Williamson, $64\frac{1}{2}$ hours at 20c,	12 90
Lyman Lincoln, 24 hours at $16\frac{2}{3}$ c,	4 00
Nelson Osborne, 24 hours at 20c,	4 80
Gustavus Totman, 40 hours at 15c,	6 00
Henry Leavitt, 124 loads gravel at 6c,	7 44
Mrs. Veasie, 128 loads gravel at 6c,	7 68
Ed Williamson, 66 loads gravel at 6c,	3 96
Fred Bates, 63 loads gravel at 6c,	3 78
William Morse, gravel,	21

\$428 73

CARLTON O. LITCHFIELD,

Surveyor.

DISTRICT No. 4.

Share of appropriation	\$291 50
Fred W. Gardner, 41 hours at 20c,	\$8 20
Fred W. Gardner and 2 horses, 41 hours at 50c,	20 50
John T. Moody and 2 horses, 41 hours at 50c,	20 50
John T. Moody, 41 hours at 20c,	8 20
D. Oscar Wagoner and 2 horses, 13 hours at 50c,	6 50
Charles H. Kilbourn and 2 horses, 18 hours at 50c,	9 00
James L. Litchfield and 2 horses, 9 hours at 50c,	4 50
Caleb L. Litchfield, 27 hours at 20c,	5 40
John Litchfield, 18 hours at 20c,	3 90
Herbert Litchfield, 18 hours at 20c,	3 60
Archie Merritt, 18 hours at 20c,	3 60
C. C. Merritt, 18 hours at 20c,	3 60
Charles M. Leavitt, 43 hours at 20c,	8 60
Jesse Reed, 43 hours at 20c,	8 60
J. H. Hatch, 13 days at \$2.00,	26 00
J. H. Hatch and 1 horse, 42 hours at 16 $\frac{2}{3}$ c,	7 00
J. H. Hatch and 2 horses, 82 hours at 33 $\frac{1}{3}$ c,	29 00
J. H. Hatch, 49 hours at 20c,	9 80
Joseph W. Hatch, 99 hours at 20c,	19 80
Joseph W. Hatch and 2 horses, 36 hours at 50c,	18 00
George H. Turner, 22 hours at 20c,	4 40
George H. Turner and 2 horses, 14 hours at 50c,	7 00
George H. Turner, 2 horses, 11 hours at 33 $\frac{1}{3}$ c,	3 67
John S. Gardner, 25 hours at 20c,	5 00
John Whalen and 2 horses, 59 hours at 50c,	29 50
Henry F. Ford, 108 loads gravel at 6c,	6 48
John T. Moody, 105 loads gravel at 6c,	6 30
Edwin Williamson, 45 loads gravel at 6c,	2 70
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	\$289 05

JOSEPH H. HATCH, *Surveyor*.

DISTRICT No. 5.

Share of appropriation	\$395 26
Albert Osborn, 28 days at \$2.00,	\$56 00
Albert Osborn, 1 man and horse, 136 hours at $33\frac{1}{3}$ c,	45 33
Albert Osborn, 1 horse, 36 hours at $16\frac{2}{3}$ c,	6 00
Chas. Kendall, 75 hours at 20c,	15 00
E. C. Jordan, 120 hours at 20c,	24 00
Lorenzo Cromwell and 2 horses, 70 hours at 50c,	35 00
John W. Burns and 2 horses, 30 hours at 50c,	15 00
L. F. Hammond and 2 horses, 124 hours at 50c,	62 00
George H. Turner and 2 horses, 27 hours at 50c,	13 50
A. L. Power, man and 2 horses, 9 hours at 50c,	4 50
C. W. Sparrell, man and 2 horses, 17 hours at 50c,	8 50
George W. Rix, man and 2 horses, 8 hours at 50c,	4 00
W. Sexton, 84 hours at 20c,	16 80
Alex. Black, 115 hours at 20c,	23 00
Henry Leavitt, 88 loads gravel at 6c,	5 28
Walter Briggs, 13 hours at 20c,	2 60
Levi N. Osborn, 27 hours at 20c,	5 40
Levi N. Osborn and 1 horse, 12 hours at $33\frac{1}{3}$ c,	4 00
D. W. Ross, 9 hours at 20c,	1 80
Alonzo Stoddard, 90 hours at 20c,	18 00
Daniel R. Ewell, 10 hours at 20c,	2 00
George S. Corthell, 61 loads gravel at 6c,	3 66
Mrs. Emma Bates, 179 loads gravel at 6c,	10 74
A. J. Litchfield & Son, shovels,	5 75
C. W. Tilden, repairing scraper,	2 00
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	\$389 86

ALBERT OSBORN,

Surveyor.

DISTRICT No. 6.

Share of appropriation	\$311 26
J. W. Burns, 20 days at \$2.00,	\$40 00
J. W. Burns, 5 hours at 20c,	1 00
J. W. Burns and 2 horses, 10 hours at 50c,	5 00
B. F. Burns, 1 hour at 20c,	20
B. F. Burns and 2 horses, 136 hours at 50c,	68 00
Henry C. Ford and 2 horses, 94 hours at 50c,	47 00
A. L. Power and 2 horses, 56 hours at 50c,	28 00
Harry G. Pincin and 2 horses, 39½ hours at 50c,	19 75
Harry G. Pincin, 18 hours at 20c,	3 60
Wm. Monahan, 89 hours at 20c,	17 80
Hosea Stetson, 129 hours at 20c,	25 80
James Spellman, 70 hours at 20c,	14 00
Albert Merritt, 6 hours at 20c,	1 20
A. W. Nickerson, 35 hours at 20c,	7 00
Seth O. Fitts, 46 hours at 20c,	9 20
James A. Wallace, 31 hours at 20c,	6 20
J. W. Burns, 291 loads gravel at 6c,	17 46
James Sampson, 49 loads gravel at 6c,	2 94
A. J. Litchfield & Son, tools,	50
R. W. McDonnell, iron work,	1 35
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	\$316 00

JOHN W. BURNS,

Surveyor.

DISTRICT No. 7.

Share of appropriation	\$400 20
F. E. Henderson, 20½ days at \$2.00,	\$41 00
F. E. Henderson, man and 2 horses, 48 hours at 50c,	24 00

F. E. Henderson, 2 horses, 65 hours at 33 $\frac{1}{3}$ c,	21 67
F. E. Henderson, 1 man, 90 hours at 20c,	18 00
Wm. S. Simmons, 2 horses, 45 hours at 33 1-3c,	15 00
Charles Simmons and 2 horses, 74 hours at 50c,	37 00
Charles Smith and 2 horses, 4 hours at 50c,	2 00
R. C. Durnin and 2 horses, 45 hours at 50c,	22 50
Charles Smith and 1 horse, 4 hours at 33 1-3c,	1 34
Charles Smith, 45 hours at 20c,	9 00
Robert Smith, 49 hours at 20c,	9 80
Charles Simmons, 52 $\frac{1}{2}$ hours at 20c,	10 50
James B. Knapp and 1 horse, 108 hours at 33 1-3c.	36 00
Geo. Lee, 54 hours at 20c,	10 80
Edgar Lee, 34 hours at 20c,	6 80
James W. Studley, 121 $\frac{1}{2}$ hours at 20c,	24 30
John Knapp, 129 $\frac{1}{2}$ hours at 20c,	25 90
Edward Couch, 133 hours at 20c,	26 60
Edward Couch, 17 posts at 10c,	1 70
Albion Snowdale, 156 $\frac{1}{2}$ hours at 20c,	31 30
Fred H. Kidder, 50 $\frac{1}{2}$ hours at 20c,	10 10
Fred H. Kidder, blasting rock,	2 00
Henry Tolman, labor and lumber,	14 71
I. Chenervert, 10 hours at 20c,	2 00
W. R. Barker, 16 hours at 20c,	3 20
E. E. Stetson, gravel and pipe,	2 12
R. C. Durnin, gravel,	1 68
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	\$411 02

FRANCIS E. HENDERSON,

Surveyor.

Amount of appropriation,	\$2,500 00
Amount expended	2,545 13

Snow Account.

DISTRICT No. 1.

Edward L. Loring, 11, hours at 25c,	\$2 75
Alpheus Thomas, 5 hours at 25c,	1 25
George H. Bates, 4 hours at 25c,	1 00
A. W. Thomas, 3 hours at 25c,	75
Samuel Loring, 4 hours at 25c,	1 00
Charles H. Totman, $1\frac{1}{2}$ hours at 25c,	38
Charles Scully, $4\frac{1}{2}$ hours at 25c,	1 12
Frank A. Prouty, $3\frac{1}{2}$ hours at 25c,	83
John H. Prouty, $3\frac{1}{2}$ hours at 25c,	83
Timothy Sheehan, 4 hours at 25c,	1 00
Timothy Sheehan, man and horse, 10 hours at 50c,	5 00
Wm. H. Farrar and horse, $12\frac{1}{2}$ hours at 50c,	6 25
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	\$22 16

DISTRICT No. 2.

Charles Hines, $16\frac{1}{2}$ hours at 25c,	\$4 13
Carlton W. Pinson, $11\frac{1}{2}$ hours at 25c,	2 88
Simeon Damon, $1\frac{3}{4}$ hours at 25c,	44
Charles H. Kendall, 12 hours at 25c,	3 00
Charles H. Baker, 1 hour at 25c,	25
George Sylvester, 4 hours at 25c,	1 00
Henry Studley, 3 hours at 25c,	75
E. A. Jacobs and 2 horses, 19 hours at 75c,	14 25
E. A. Jacobs and 1 horse, 20 hours at 50c,	10 00

E. A. Jacobs, 3 hours at 25c,	75
George W. Rix and 2 horses, 3 hours at 75c,	2 25
George W. Rix, 8 hours at 25c,	2 00
Benjamin Loring and 2 horses, 6 $\frac{3}{4}$ hours at 75c,	5 00
C. W. Tilden, iron work on snow plow,	2 00
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	\$48 70

DISTRICT No. 3.

Harry Gardner, 3 hours at 25c;	80 75
A. Vinal, 2 hours at 25c,	50
George H. Vinal, 5 hours at 25c,	1 25
Robert N. Leavitt, 3 hours at 25c,	75
Leonard Winslow, 3 hours at 25c,	75
Andrew Stockbridge, 5 hours at 25c,	1 25
Andrew Stockbridge and horse, 5 hours at 50c,	2 50
Carlton O. Litchfield and 2 horses, 5 $\frac{1}{2}$ hours at 75c	4 12
Clifford Brett and 2 horses, 14 hours at 75c,	10 50
Walter Simmons and 1 horse, 3 hours at 50c,	1 50
Walter Simmons, 10 hours at 25c,	2 50
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	\$26 37

DISTRICT No. 4.

Archie Merritt, 3 hours at 25c,	80 75
Charles S. Merritt, 3 hours at 25c,	75
George H. Turner, 4 hours at 25c,	1 00
John Litchfield, 5 hours at 25c,	1 25
John T. Moody, 2 hours at 25c,	50
George Moody, 2 hours at 25c,	50

Joseph H. Hatch, 3 hours at 25c,	75
Joseph H. Hatch and 2 horses, 16 hours at 75c,	12 00
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	\$17 50

DISTRICT No. 5.

Charles H. Kendall, 4 hours at 25c,	\$1 00
Frank Studley, 4 hours at 25c,	1 00
Chauncey D. Litchfield, 14 hours at 25c,	3 50
Alexander Black, 3 hours at 25c,	75
L. F. Hammond and 2 horses, 10 hours at 75c,	7 50
L. F. Hammond and 1 horse, 9 hours at 50c,	4 50
L. F. Hammond, 1 man 3 hours at 25c,	75
George W. Greggs, snow plough,	6 50
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	\$23 50

DISTRICT No. 6.

J. W. Burns and 2 horses, 12 hours at 75c,	\$9 00
J. W. Burns and 1 horse, 4 hours at 50c,	2 00
J. W. Burns, 15½ hours at 25c,	3 88
B. F. Burns, 7 hours at 25c,	1 75
Henry C. Ford, 16 hours at 25c,	4 00
Seth O. Fitts, 19 hours at 25c,	4 75
Tilon Williams, 4 hours at 25c,	1 00
James P. Spellman, 4 hours at 25c,	1 00
Albert Merritt, 9 hours at 25c,	2 25
L. W. Jacobs, 11 hours at 25c,	2 75
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	\$32 38

DISTRICT No. 7.

George W. Smith, 5 hours at 25c,	\$1 25
Charles Smith, 4 hours at 25c,	1 00
Robert Smith, 7 hours at 25c,	1 75
Edgar Lee, 2 hours at 25c,	50
Richard S. Winslow, 7 hours at 25c,	1 75
Zenas Howland, 4 hours at 25c,	1 00
Isaac H. Packard, 5 hours at 25c,	1 25
John Knapp, $1\frac{1}{2}$ hours at 25c,	38
Edward Merritt, $1\frac{1}{2}$ hours at 25c,	38
Robert Montgomery, $11\frac{1}{2}$ hours at 25c,	2 88
James Studley, $1\frac{3}{4}$ hours at 25c,	44
Francis E. Henderson, $18\frac{1}{2}$ hours at 25c,	4 63
Francis E. Henderson and 2 horses, $21\frac{1}{2}$ hours at 75c,	16 13
J. F. Turner, snow plough,	23 00
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	\$56 34

Total cost of removing snow, \$226 95

Report of the Overseers of the Poor.

Appropriation, \$2,500 00

ALMSHOUSE EXPENDITURES.

Value of articles on hand Jan. 1, 1901,	\$405 05
H. S. Turner & Co., supplies,	102 79
George F. Welch, coal,	88 30
George F. Welch, merchandise,	3 50
E. B. Tobey, dry goods,	6 88
Francis L. Smith, services as superintendent,	250 00
James H. Pinkham, services as superintendent,	50 00
Clapp & Wilder, killing hogs,	3 00
Horace M. Hunt, harness, etc., bought in 1897,	23 44
F. M. Curtis, supplies,	105 13
A. J. Litchfield & Son, supplies,	80 59
A. J. Litchfield & Son, grain,	146 03
M. McDevitt, crackers, etc.,	7 76
W. W. Cutler, supplies,	46 75
A. A. Page, supplies,	30 57
James W. Sampson, 2 pigs, 1899,	6 50
John A. Loring, repairs,	17 11
C. W. & E. H. Sparrell, burial of Charlotte Prince,	25 00

George W. Rix, 5 cords oak wood,	18 75
George W. Rix, ice,	6 52
John Monahan, dry goods,	22 97
Henry C. Ford, fertilizer,	16 15
David Torrey,	23 30
C. W. Tilden, smithwork	18 98
George F. Welch, lawn mower,	6 00
O. H. Lake, mowing, etc.,	11 87
Torrey & Baker, clothing, etc.,	4 50
W. F. Burrell, shoes, etc.,	3 75
H. J. Little, medical attendance,	2 00
Brown & Lehan, stock and labor,	4 65
C. A. Berry, fertilizer,	17 65
Corthell Bros., supplies,	37 96
F. L. Smith, articles bought for cash	49 58
James H. Pinkham, articles bought for cash,	9 70
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	\$1,648 61

ALMSHOUSE RECEIPTS.

Carrots,	\$4 02
Potatoes,	7 30
Fowl,	8 98
Strawberries,	1 50
Calves,	12 00
Butter,	2 00
Milk,	23 88
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	\$59 68

ARTICLES ON HAND JAN. 1, 1902.

1 horse,	\$40 00	
2 cows,	75 00	
2 hogs,	30 00	
60 fowl,	30 00	
Manure,	10 00	
5 tons hay,	90 00	
Grain,	3 00	
Lumber,	10 00	
Shingles,	75	
Laths,	50	
Potatoes,	30 00	
Carrots,	5 00	
Beets,	1 00	
Crackers,	1 00	
Flour,	1 25	
Groceries,	8 00	
Cash,	4 12	
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		\$339 62

SUMMARY OF ALMSHOUSE ACCOUNTS.

Total expenditure,	\$1,648 61
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ALMSHOUSE CREDITS.

Articles sold,	\$59 68	
Board of W. E. B. Thomas,	108 00	
Articles on hand Jan. 1, 1902,	339 62	
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		\$507 30

Total cost of poor in Almshouse, including 30 tramps,	\$1,141 31
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AID TO POOR OUT OF ALMSHOUSE.

OSCAR SYLVESTER.

Paid—

Harriet Thomas, 52 weeks' board at		
\$1.25,	\$65 00	
Harriet Thomas, clothing, etc.,	16 15	
	<hr/>	\$81 15

NELLIE T. HUNT.

Paid—

Town of Rockland, supplies,	\$44 20	
Town of Abington, supplies,	2 00	
Union Co., supplies,	2 00	
	<hr/>	\$48 20

HENRY WARREN WINSLOW.

Paid H. J. Little, medical attendance,	\$46 75
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FAMILY OF E. C. LITCHFIELD.

Paid—

Charles H. Goddard, supplies.	\$16 44	
Town of Whitman, supplies,	50 85	
B. L. Shaw, supplies,	23 97	
W. F. Coughlan, rent and supplies,	235 50	
John J. Daly, milk, etc.,	13 90	
Cash,	10 00	
	<hr/>	\$350 66

BELLA FREEMAN.

Paid Worcester Insane Asylum,	\$168 75
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HIRAM DAMON.

Paid—

Albert Culver & Co., coal,	\$7 25	
C. W. & E. H. Sparrell, burial,	25 00	
John Knapp, nurse,	6 00	
Samuel Loring, digging grave,	3 00	
H. J. Little, medical attendance,	2 00	
	<hr/>	\$43 25

ALONZO SYLVESTER.

Paid A. J. Litchfield & Son, supplies,	\$12 00
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EDGAR LEE.

Paid Mrs. George Lee, board of children,	\$115 00
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EZEKIEL E. GUNDERWAY.

Paid Wm. P. Grovestein, medical attendance,	\$10 00
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JAMES F. CROCKER.

Paid Town of Hanover, aid,	\$6 00
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LORENZO CROMWELL.

Paid—

C. L. Howes, medical attendance,	\$9 75	
H. J. Little, medical attendance,	4 00	
	<hr/>	\$13 75

MARY A. GARDNER.

Paid—

John S. Brooks, supplies,	\$72 73	
H. J. Little, medical attendance,	26 50	
	<hr/>	\$99 23

BRIDGET SHEA.

Paid State Farm, board,	\$146 00
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• SARAH A. STUDLEY.

Paid—

Cash for aid,	\$55 00	
Medical attendance,	36 00	
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KATE DILLON.

Paid—

Walter E. Studley, burial of child,	\$10 00	
Samuel Loring, digging grave,	2 00	
	<hr/>	\$12 00

MANDANA FREEMAN.

Paid—

Cash for aid,	\$10 00	
C. W. & E. H. Sparrell, burial,	25 00	
Emily Freeman, care,	9 00	
	<hr/>	\$44 00

BENJAMIN F. LEE.

Paid City of Brockton, aid,	\$16 93
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ALDEN BEACH.

Paid H. J. Little, medical attendance,	\$15 00
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• Total,	<hr/> \$1,734 82
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AID TO OUT-DOOR POOR HAVING SETTLEMENT IN OTHER TOWNS.

BERT RANDALL, Duxbury.

Paid—

H. S. Turner & Co., supplies,	\$19 72	
George W. Griggs, wood,	2 00	
	<hr/>	\$21 72

CHESTER TAYLOR, Scituate.

Paid—

H. S. Turner & Co., supplies,	\$56 75	
George W. Griggs, cash for clothing,	6 00	
H. J. Little, medical attendance,	2 00	
	<hr/>	\$64 75

CHARLES KENDALL, Boston.

Paid—

F. M. Curtis, shoes,	\$4 00	
F. M. Curtis, supplies,	5 93	
	<hr/>	\$9 93

LABAN BATES, Hull.

Paid H. S. Turner & Co., supplies,	\$9 00
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J. W. CHAMBERLAIN, Holbrook.

Paid M. Little, supplies,	\$104 00
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GEO. W. DYER, Boston.

Paid—

H. J. Little, medical attendance,	\$3 00
Seth Foster, expense to Boston,	2 50

George S. Hatch, expense to Boston,	1 50	
	<hr/>	\$7 00

Mrs. MABEL SEARS, Plymouth.

Paid C. L. Howes, medical attendance,		\$14 50
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JOHN BATES, Hull.

Paid—

Lucy McPherson, care and board,	\$42 00	
H. J. Little, medical attendance,	39 00	
	<hr/>	\$81 00

DAVID H. BATES, Hull.

le, medical attendance,		\$78 00
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Mrs. JOHN RYAN, Hull.

Paid—

Cash for aid,	\$5 00	
H. J. Little, medical attendance,	1 00	
	<hr/>	\$6 00

STATE CHARGES.

E. C. JORDAN.

Paid Wm. P. Grovestein, medical attendance, aid in 1900,		\$14 25
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THOMAS RYAN.

Paid H. J. Little, medical attendance,		\$5 00
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SUMMARY POOR ACCOUNT.

Total amount paid for out-door poor,	\$1,734 82	
Total cost of poor at Almshouse,	1,141 31	
	<hr/>	\$2,876 13
Less amount refunded by State,	\$ 19 25	
Less amount refunded by town,	395 90	
	<hr/>	\$415 15
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		\$2,460 98

GEORGE W. GRIGGS,
 ALPHEUS THOMAS,
 HENRY D. SMITH,
Overseers of the Poor.

Soldiers' Relief.

Paid—

Benjamin H. Barrett, Whitman,	\$79 50
Lyman B. Fitts, Marshfield,	64 00
John H. Howard, Hanover,	5 00
Reuben S. Gurney, Dana,	8 00
Joanna Keene,	50 00

\$206 50

STATE AID PAID IN 1901.

Under Chapter 374, Acts of 1899.

Charles D. Barnard,	\$48 00
David Bassford,	48 00
Amanda Bassford,	48 00
Lorenzo Bates,	27 00
Benjamin K. Barrett,	72 00
Amanda Coleman,	48 00
Abbie F. Coleman,	24 00
Timothy B. Chapman,	38 00
John Corthell,	48 00
Josephine Corthell,	48 00
Josiah W. Chamberlin,	72 00
Maria B. Damon,	48 00
Hannah Dover,	24 00
Charles David,	72 00

Ensign B. Damon,	48 00
Lucy Damon,	36 00
Daniel R. Ewell,	72 00
Seth O. Fitts,	60 00
Lyman B. Fitts,	72 00
Reuben S. Gurney,	72 00
John T. Hatch,	60 00
Sarah Hatch,	48 00
George A. Hatch,	60 00
Susan H. Higbee,	48 00
Frank H. Howard,	4 00
Bradford Little,	48 00
Charles M. Leavitt,	48 00
William H. Morse,	48 00
William O. Merritt,	48 00
Eliza J. McKee,	44 00
Harriet Raymond,	48 00
David P. Robinson,	36 00
Mary Shepherd,	16 00
Edwin Studley,	48 00
Frank W. Slason,	4 00
Charles H. Totman,	48 00
George O. Torrey,	72 00
James W. Warner,	36 00
James H. Williams,	72 00
Albert Winslow,	48 00
Esther M. Young,	48 00

\$1,957 00

Due from the State.

TOWN OFFICERS.

J. C. Otis, returning deaths and births,	\$16 80
J. C. Otis, services as town clerk,	39 00
George Cushing, auditor,	20 00
E. A. Turner, tax collector,	350 00
Charles Simmons, fire warden,	5 00
A. W. Thomas, fire warden,	4 00
Alpheus Thomas, services as select- man, etc.,	140 00
Alpheus Thomas, services as board of health,	2 00
George W. Griggs, services as select- man, etc.,	145 00
Henry D. Smith, services as select- man, etc.,	125 00
E. E. Stetson, services as registrar of voters,	15 00
E. M. Sexton, services as registrar of voters,	15 00
C. A. Berry, services as registrar of voters,	15 00
Israel Hatch, services as school com- mittee,	40 00
Benjamin Loring, services as school committee,	40 00
Mary L. F. Power, services as school committee,	70 00
Horace T. Fogg, services as treasurer,	100 00
J. W. Foster, services notifying town officers,	5 00
J. W. Foster, services inspection of animals,	32 50

J. W. Foster, services as keeper of lockup,	3 00
Wm. E. Wilder, services as constable,	5 00
Walter T. Osborne, services as con- stable,	21 00
Charles Studley, services as election officer,	2 50
John Whalen, services as election officer,	2 50
H. J. Little, services as board of health,	9 25
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	\$1,222 55

TOWN HALL.

B. P. Nichols, labor, etc.,	\$7 52
Fred J. Croning, janitor,	33 00
John A. Loring, ventilator, etc.,	14 36
Brown & Lehour, glass, labor, etc.,	4 25
A. J. Litchfield & Son, supplies,	3 69
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	\$62 82

TOWN CEMETERY.

H. L. House, surveying and posts,	\$28 75
W. H. Farrar, 25 posts,	2 00
W. H. Farrar and 2 horses, 1 hour,	50
C. H. Lapham, 14 trees,	70
C. H. Lapham, 36½ hours at 20c,	7 30

C. H. Lapham, horse, 3 hours at $16\frac{2}{3}c$,	50
C. H. Lapham and horse, 6 hours at $33\frac{1}{3}c$,	2 00
J. W. Brown, 34 hours at 20c,	6 80
Samuel Loring, 46 hours at 20c,	9 20
Samuel Loring, horse, 5 hours at $16\frac{2}{3}c$,	83
Samuel Loring, work and gravel,	7 29
E. L. Loring, 9 hours at 20c,	1 80
E. L. Loring and horse, 6 hours at $33\frac{1}{3}c$,	2 00
Fred S. Farrar, manure,	5 00

\$74 67

Received from sale of lots, \$74.00

OLD UNION BRIDGE.

Town of Marshfield, care,	\$7 00
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NEW UNION BRIDGE.

Town of Marshfield, balance on retaining wall,	\$23 40
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TOWN INCIDENTALS.

E. A. Turner, paid F. Dyer for express,	\$3 85
E. A. Turner, dinners for Selectmen and County Commissioners,	3 00
E. A. Turner, postage and blanks,	11 83
George W. Kelley, opinion on Union Bridge,	3 00

Town of Pembroke, seeding ponds two years,	16 05
C. L. Howes, returning births,	1 25
Alpheus Thomas, postage,	2 21
Henry D. Smith, telephoning,	80
Free Press Publishing Co., town re- ports, etc.,	82 00
Free Press Publishing Co., town meet- ing warrants, etc.,	6 50
Free Press Publishing Co., State Aid blanks,	2 25
F. M. Curtis, postage, etc.,	12 61
Edgar M. Lane, fire engine at Charles Gross',	14 00
Edgar M. Lane, fire engine at H. N. Gardner's,	32 25
J. S. Smith, printing election warrants,	2 50
Thomas Groom & Co., record book,	2 25
Thomas Groom & Co., tax record books,	3 50
C. W. & E. H. Sparrell, returning deaths,	10 00
H. W. Winslow, buying horse,	3 00
E. L. Loring, watching fires,	4 00
E. W. Gardner, watching fires,	2 00
A. W. Robinson, watching fires,	2 00
Will C. Young, watching fires,	2 00
Charles R. Delano, watching fires,	2 00
Charles T. Fish, watching fires,	2 00
James H. Costello, watching fires,	2 00
Edwin M. Wilder, fire warden badges,	3 50
Codman & Shurtleff, disinfecter for Board of Health,	7 50
Seth Foster, expressing, etc.,	9 20
Fred Hallett & Co., dog licenses,	1 89

Carrie M. Ford, printing,	14	50	
Henry W. Toombs, money returned on error of old tax,	1	25	
Helen L. Fogg, rent of safe,	8	00	
H. F. Fogg, insurance on Almshouse,	38	40	
Garfield & Sawyer, marking acid,	1	50	
J. L. Fairbanks & Co., pauper books,	9	50	
Frank Dyer, expressing,	3	35	
J. C. Otis, blank mortgage book,	2	75	
C. S. Dean, showing bounds of Betsey B. Tolman land,		50	
H. J. Little, returning births,	1	75	
Brown & Lehan, sign for Little's Bridge,		75	
Town of Rockland, use of lockup,	1	50	
A. J. Litchfield & Son, stationery,	1	63	
			\$336 32

RECAPITULATION.

Taxes abated,	\$99	76	
Highway expenditures,	2,545	13	
Snow expenditures,	229	95	
Town officers,	1,222	55	
Town hall,	62	82	
Incidentals,	336	32	
Cemetery,	74	67	
Almshouse expenses,	1,648	61	
Aid to out-door-poor,	1,734	82	
Soldiers' relief,	206	50	
State aid,	1,957	00	
Old Union Bridge,		7	00
New Union Bridge,		23	40
			\$10,148 53

CREDITS :

Refunded by the State,	\$19 25	
Refunded by towns,	395 90	
Alms-house credits,	507 30	
State aid,	1,957 00	
Soldiers' relief,	156 50	
Cattle inspection, due from State,	16 25	
Cemetery, sale of lots,	74 00	
	<hr/>	\$3,126 20
Total net expense, except for schools,		<hr/> \$7,022 33

NORWELL, Jan. 25, 1902.

I have examined the accounts of the Selectmen, Collector and Treasurer and find them cast correctly and proper vouchers for all payments made.

GEO. CUSHING,
Auditor.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

LIABILITIES.

Notes in favor of the South Scituate Savings Bank,	\$10,500 00
Notes in favor of the Coffin Fund,	2,000 00
Notes in favor of the Otis Fund,	1,300 00

ASSETS

Due from—	
State for State aid,	\$1,957 00
State for aid to poor,	19 25
Towns for aid to poor,	395 90
Towns for soldiers' relief.	156 50
State for inspection of cattle,	16 25
Granderson mortgage,	150 00
Corporation and bank tax claim (estimated)	100 00
Outstanding tax of 1894,	10 66
John F. Osborn, board of wife,	254 70
Cash in hands of treasurer,	2,741 34

The sum of \$1,000 of the cash on hand is held to pay a note due the South Scituate Savings Bank due Feb. 1st, 1902, as voted by the town.

List of Jurors.

A list of persons qualified to serve as jurors to be presented to the town for acceptance or revision :

James W. Studley,	Laborer.
James B. Knapp,	Farmer.
Wm. H. Appleford,	Clerk.
David Bassford,	Retired.
George B. Ellms,	Farmer.
Clifton S. Dean,	Teacher.
Wallace M. Shaw,	Farmer.
Andrew S. Richardson,	Farmer.
Herbert F. Robbins,	Clerk.
Henry F. Ford,	Trader.
Frederick J. Croning,	Janitor.
James H. Studley,	Shoemaker.
Charles D. Barnard,	Harnessmaker.
Arthur T. Stoddard,	Cutter.
James L. Litchfield,	Farmer.
Orlando H. Lake,	Farmer.
James E. Stoddard,	Shoemaker.
Joseph H. Hatch,	Farmer.
John Corthell,	Butcher.
Joseph C. Otis,	Clerk.
Edwin M. Sexton,	Farmer.
Henry J. Tolman,	Carpenter.
James A. Wallace,	Farmer.
George A. Ayling,	Retired.
George H. Bates,	Farmer.
Carlton O. Litchfield,	Farmer.
Henry H. Gardner,	Tackmaker.
Andrew H. Merrill,	Farmer.

SEVENTEENTH ANNUAL REPORT
OF THE
TRUSTEES OF THE A. T. OTIS POOR FUND.

Amount of fund,		\$2,000 00
Loaned on town notes at 4 per cent.,	\$1,300 00	
Deposited in Savings Bank,	520 00	
Due on Alabama mortgage,	180 00	
	<hr/>	\$2,000 00
On hand Jan. 1st, 1901,	\$140 04	
Interest on bank books,	18 68	
Interest on Alabama mortgage,	13 92	
Interest on town note,	52 00	
	<hr/>	\$224 64
Paid—		
Inmates of Almshouse,	\$18 00	
Worthy poor,	74 98	
On hand Jan. 1st, 1902,	131 66	
	<hr/>	\$224 64

TWENTY-FOURTH ANNUAL REPORT
OF THE
TRUSTEES OF THE COFFIN POOR FUND.

Amount of fund,	\$2,000 00
(Loaned on town notes at 4 per cent.)	

On hand Jan. 1st, 1901,	\$126 94	
Interest on Savings Bank book,	1 86	
Interest on town note,	80 00	
	<hr/>	\$208 80
Paid—		
Care of cemetery lot,	\$5 00	
Worthy poor,	71 17	
On hand Jan. 1st, 1902,	132 63	
	<hr/>	\$208 80

FOURTH ANNUAL REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES

OF THE

NANCY HERSEY CEMETERY FUND.

Amount of fund on deposit Jan. 1st,		
1901,	\$100 00	
Interest on deposit Jan. 1st, 1901,	8 64	
Interest on deposit to July, 1901,	4 36	
	<hr/>	\$113 00
Paid for care of lots,		
	\$3 00	
Interest on deposit Jan. 1st, 1902,	10 00	
Fund on deposit Jan. 1st, 1902,	100 00	
	<hr/>	\$113 00

SECOND ANNUAL REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES

OF THE

BETSEY B. TOLMAN CEMETERY FUND.

Amount of fund,	\$100 00	
Interest to July, 1901,	4 04	
	<hr/>	\$104 04
Paid for care of lots,	\$4 00	
Interest on deposit Jan. 1st, 1902,	04	
Fund on deposit Jan. 1st, 1902,	100 00	
	<hr/>	\$104 04

SEVENTH ANNUAL REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES

OF THE

PRUDENCE C. DELANO TOMB FUND.

Amount of fund,	\$300 00	
Interest Jan. 1st, 1901	40 63	
Interest to July, 1901,	13 74	
	<hr/>	\$354 37
Paid for care of lot,	\$5 00	
Interest on deposit Jan. 1st, 1902,	49 37	
Fund on deposit,	300 00	
	<hr/>	\$354 37

FOURTEENTH ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

TRUSTEES OF THE JOSSLYN CEMETERY FUND.

Amount of fund on deposit Jan. 1st, 1901,	\$200 00	
Interest on deposit Jan. 1st, 1901,	34 42	
Interest to July, 1901,	9 46	
	<hr/>	\$243 88
Paid for care of lot,	\$8 00	
Interest on deposit Jan. 1st, 1902,	35 88	
Fund on deposit Jan. 1st, 1902,	200 00	
	<hr/>	\$243 88

TENTH ANNUAL REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES

OF THE

SAMUEL C. CUDWORTH CEMETERY FUND.

Fund on deposit Jan. 1st, 1901,	\$200 00	
Interest on deposit Jan. 1st, 1901,	7 06	
Interest to July, 1901,	8 36	
	<hr/>	\$215 42
Paid for care of lot,	\$5 00	
Interest on deposit,	10 42	
Fund on deposit,	200 00	
	<hr/>	\$215 42

SIXTEENTH ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

A. T. OTIS CEMETERY AND TOMB FUND.

Amount of fund,	\$1,500 00	
Interest on deposit Jan. 1st, 1901,	221 40	
Interest to July, 1901,	69 50	
	<hr/>	\$1,790 90
Paid for care of lots,	\$34 00	
Interest on deposit,	256 90	
Fund on deposit,	1,500 00	
	<hr/>	\$1,790 90

GEORGE W. GRIGGS,
ALPHEUS THOMAS,
HENRY D. SMITH,
Trustees.

Citizens' Caucus.

The citizens of the town of Norwell are requested to meet at the Town Hall, Norwell, on Friday evening, February 21st, 1902, at half-past seven o'clock, to nominate town officers for the ensuing year, and to transact any other business that may properly come before them.

PER ORDER OF THE SELECTMEN.

Town Clerk's Report.

MARRIAGES FOR THE YEAR 1901.

- March 23. In Braintree, William J. Powers of East Braintree and Edith M. Stanford of Norwell, by Rev. William Kirkly.
- April 20. In Hanover, Patrick L. White of Abington and Ella W. Pratt of Norwell, by Eben C. Waterman, Justice of the Peace.
- June 9. In Melrose Highlands, Harry J. Little of Norwell and Ida M. Taylor of Boston, by Rev. George N. Howard.
- June 23. In Cohasset, George B. Ellms of Norwell and Nettie G. Brown of Scituate, by Rev. Frank Park.
- June 27. In Norwell, Herbert S. Turner and Lilla M. Smith, both of Norwell, by Rev. Henry C. Atwood.
- October 2. In Norwell, Henry J. Tolman and Florence M. Barnard, both of Norwell, by Rev. Edwin G. Copeland.
- In Hanover, Henry G. Heredeen and Eva M. Totman, both of Norwell, by Rev. Andrew Reade.
- In Duxbury, Alfred C. Litchfield of Norwell and Margaret E. Edwards of Duxbury, by Rev. Henry B. Mason.

BIRTHS IN NORWELL FOR THE YEAR 1901.

DATE OF BIRTH.		NAME OF CHILD.	NAME OF PARENTS.
January	13.	Edward Francis Johnson .	Frank E. and Lettie M.
	24.	Rose Margaretta Hines . .	Charles and Mary.
February	23.	Ohan Harris Cromwell . .	— Eveline Cromwell.
April	2.	Marion Viola Whalen . .	John and Mabel.
May	7.	— Harriman	Chas. J. and Theodate R.
	13.	Joseph Hector Griffin . .	Joseph H. and Annie M.
	15.	John Henry White	Patrick L. and Ella.
	22.	Ethel May Burns	John W. and Anna M.
June	5.	Sarah Randall Rix	George W. and Annie F.
	11.	John Edward Prouty	John A. and Emily L.
	13.	Ashley Burton Jones	Arthur C. and Rena F.
	25.	Marion J. Costello	James and Rebecca,
July	31.	John Garfield Robinson . .	Asa W. and Louisa J.
September	2.	Helen Jackson Taylor . .	Richard J. and Ellen F.
	16.	Lillian Godden Cromwell .	Lorenzo F. and Lucy A.
	20.	Mary Armstrong	Robert and Mary.
October	11.	Carlton Leslie Joyce	Edw. W. and Gertrude.
	26.	Wallace Francis Pratt . .	W. Franklin and Ella.
November	15.	Josie Amy Prouty	Frank A. and Amy.
	22.	— Beach	Alden and Rachel.

The Town Clerk hereby gives public notice to physicians and midwives that he is prepared to furnish, upon application, blank forms of returns required of them by law.

Respectfully submitted,

JOSEPH C. OTIS,

Town Clerk.

DEATHS IN NORWELL FOR THE YEAR 1901.

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DATE.	NAME.	AGE. Y. M. D.	CAUSE OF DEATH.	BIRTHPLACE.
February	Herbert S. Jacobs.	52 9 9	Bright's Disease.	Pembroke.
	William B. Hatch.	2 4 —	Membranous Croup.	Norwell.
	Flora L. Delano.	38 7 26	Pleurisy.	Norwell.
	Ellen R. Jones.	73 1 2	Pneumonia.	Maine.
	Charlotte Prince.	68 — —	Asthemia.	Scituate.
March	Albert T. Farrar.	56 — 7	Pneumonia.	Scituate.
	George W. H. Litchfield.	46 — —	Casimona of Intestines.	Norwell.
	Meribah H. Damon.	49 7 —	Typhoid Influenza.	Rockland.
April	Joshua Bowker.	85 0 25	Old age, Bronchitis.	Scituate.
	Verna L. Ainslie.	0 3 6	Natural Causes.	Norwell.
	Helen J. Corthell.	5 5 —	Diphtheria.	Norwell.
	Helena J. Pinson.	1 5 —	Bronchitis.	Norwell.
May	— Harriman.	— — —	—	—
	Theodate R. Harriman.	41 — —	Childbirth, Pneumonia.	Solon, Me.
June	Sarah Johnson	81 2 13	Heart Disease.	Scituate.
	Charlotte Roberts.	86 2 20	Inflammation of Gall Bladder.	Gainsboro, N. S.
	Thomas H. Fergus.	47 — —	Inflammation of Liver.	New York.
August	Elsie A. Winslow.	— 7 —	Gastro Enteritis.	Norwell.
	Lelia L. Lee.	23 9 —	Consumption.	Virginia.
	— Pratt.	— — 4	P emature Birth.	Norwell.
September	Marion J. Costello.	— 3 —	Cholera Infantum.	Norwell.
October	Lacy A. Jones.	63 — —	Organic Heart Disease.	Hanover.
	John M. Barnard.	35 6 22	General Peritonitis.	Wellfleet.
November	H. Edson Lewis.	19 4 8	Typhoid Fever.	South Scituate.
	Hiram A. Damon.	61 9 5	Pneumonia.	Hanson.
December	Margaret Conroy.	71 — —	Heart Disease.	Ireland.

ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

SCHOOL COMMITTEE

OF THE

TOWN OF NORWELL,

FOR THE YEAR 1901.

Report of the School Committee.

To the Citizens of Norwell :

At the annual town meeting held in March, 1901, Benjamin Loring was re-elected a member of the School Committee for three years.

The committee organized for the year with Benjamin Loring, chairman ; Mrs. Power, secretary.

SUPERVISION.

The schools for the past year have been under the able supervision of Mr. C. A. Record, and the progress made has been gratifying to the committee.

The law requiring each and every town in the Commonwealth to employ a superintendent goes into effect in this year of 1902.

TEACHERS.

We have been fortunate in making but few changes in our corps of teachers. The possible shortening of the school year to the 32 weeks required by law for the elementary schools, on account of the smallness of the appropriation made last spring, was regarded by some of the teachers as a serious obstacle to the acceptance of another year's appointment. Contrary to our expectations, they decided to remain with us.

The two Primary Schools opened at the beginning of the spring term were placed under the care of Miss Marguerite Litchfield, in District No. 2, and Mrs. Nellie M. Sparrell in No. 6. At her own request, Miss Merritt was given the Primary School in No. 5, and Miss Scully, who had been teaching grades 7 and 8 in the High School building, was placed in charge of the Centre Grammar School.

At the close of the spring term, Miss Louise Ford, who has taught the school in District No. 4 for six years, desired a change, and Miss Desdemona Heinrich, a graduate of Rockford College, Rockford, Ill., was given the position. Although new to primary work, Miss Heinrich entered upon her duties with an enthusiasm that we hope she will be able to retain, and her work in the school has been good.

Shortly after the opening of the fall term, Mrs. Sparrell was offered a better position, in the Lafayette School, Everett, Mass., and we released her from her contract with us.

Miss Louise Ford was secured for the vacant position, and the school work was thus enabled to go on without a break. We are pleased to note good progress in the school.

SCHOOLS.

The two Primary Schools at Districts No. 6 and 2, that were opened at the beginning of the spring term, have been continued up to the opening of the winter term of 1902. At this time the school in No. 2 has become so small, with only eight pupils, that its continuance for the winter term was considered not only undesirable, but illegal. By the statutes, a school must be composed of at least ten pupils to be recognized as a school. Apart from

this fact, the register shows that there were many days that the school was closed, as no pupils were present. Such a condition of affairs was detrimental to the pupils, and could not be allowed to continue. We believe that in closing the school for the present term that we are acting in accordance with the wishes of the parents in the district, and as stated in our report to the town, read at the last meeting in April, in relation to the school in District No. 3, it is these parents, each in his own district, that we believe should be satisfied in regard to the schools. We believe that District No. 1, for instance, has the schools that best please the parents in District No. 1. District No. 3 has that which pleases them, and we trust the same is now true of No. 2. This we do know, that the school in that district for the past term has satisfied no one, each and every parent being united in calling it a farce. Should the number of pupils in the district increase at the beginning of the spring term, the school may be continued, if it meets with the wishes of the district.

The non-opening of the school in No. 3 was too fully explained last spring to need repeating. We hear of no dissatisfaction with the present arrangement, and feel fully justified in the action taken by the committee at that time.

The work of the schools as a whole has been satisfactory to the committee. We see much room for improvement, but this improvement must come gradually, and in spite of obstacles we believe that we are securing better work than at this time last year.

In regard to the Grammar Schools, we wish to state most emphatically that since their re-establishment the High School work has improved both in quality and quantity, and without these schools it is impossible to maintain the High School, as such.

A review of Grammar School studies, necessary because the proper time and attention could not be given them in a school of mixed grade, together with a smattering of High School work, does not constitute a High School worthy of the name.

The school at present consists of one year of Grammar School work, the 9th grade, which we call our Freshman class, together with three years of such High School work as we are able to do. This is perhaps all we can maintain at the present time, although we hope to see the day when the 9th grade can be placed where it belongs—in the Grammar Schools.

No first-class High School could be maintained in the present building, on account of want of room and of apparatus for such teaching. In the State report we find the building and its equipment spoken of as “very poor” and “not satisfactory.” In judging the work of our graduates we hope that the citizens realize the disadvantages under which this work is done.

For the present, however, our principal effort will be to strengthen our Grammar Schools, and to insist that promotion be most carefully looked after.

It is an injustice to the child himself to be placed in a grade where he is unequal to the work, because he is not well prepared on the work of the grade below.

We note with pleasure that the visits of the parents to the schools are increasing. This is one of the greatest helps that a teacher can be given, and we wish it were possible for the parents to hold monthly meetings with teachers, superintendent and committee, as it would solve many a difficult problem and establish closer relations between them all.

BUILDINGS.

Only the very necessary repairs have been made the past year. In District No. 1 a new fence around the school yard has been built; the buildings in Districts 6 and 7 have been painted, and the south side of District No. 7 re-shingled. Will state in this connection that the building in No. 6 has received no paint for 20 years.

New slate boards to replace those in an absolutely ruinous condition in Districts 1, 4 and 5, have been purchased. The introduction of slate is a permanent improvement, as the boards are absolutely indestructible by any fair means, and can be removed if necessary and used in other buildings.

Some new teachers' desks and chairs were indispensable, to take the place of those that belonged in Districts 2 and 6. Other minor repairs have been made when necessary.

The building in No. 4 needs repainting the coming year, and new fences around the school yard, and that in No. 6 are much needed. The fence in No. 6 must be replaced, as the old one is beyond repair.

TRANSPORTATION.

No town money has been used this year for transportation, the Massachusetts State School Fund being ample for this purpose.

TEXT BOOKS AND SUPPLIES.

More changes in text books have been made, but by exchanging the old books on hand, that were in good condition, for the new ones, the expenditure was not very great.

The introduction of Tarr and McMurray's Geography for the use of the 7th and 8th grades has been very beneficial.

The wear and tear on the books in the Primary Schools is very great. Many of the Ward primers introduced a little over a year ago are absolutely unfit for use, both in regard to the condition of the books and for sanitary reasons. Every year a considerable sum has to be expended to replace such books. The teachers are given instructions to impress on each pupil the necessity of good care of the books loaned him. We hope the parents will co-operate with the teachers in seeing that no more wear and tear is brought on the books than is absolutely necessary. Much of the wear comes from carrying them to and from school, and to see that this is reduced to the minimum is a very important matter.

To meet the school expenses of the year 1902, beginning with the spring term, the following appropriations will be needed:

A general appropriation for teachers' salaries,	
fuel, fittings and care of rooms,	\$4,200 00
For text books and supplies,	400 00
For Superintendent,	250 00
For repairs and incidentals,	500 00

Respectfully submitted,

BENJAMIN LORING,
MARY L. F. POWER,
ISRAEL HATCH,

School Committee of Norwell.

EXPENDITURES CHARGEABLE TO THE APPROPRIATION.

FOR WINTER TERM OF TEN WEEKS OF THE YEAR 1901,
BUT CHARGEABLE TO APPROPRIATION OF 1900.

TEACHERS' SALARIES.

A. G. Catheron,	\$236 80
Mattie S. Wilder,	105 20
A. Gertrude Jones,	35 00
Della F. Nichols,	90 00
Sarah F. Richardson,	80 00
Louise E. Ford,	90 00
Martha C. Scully,	70 00
Marion G. Merritt,	90 00
Nellie M. Sparrell,	90 00
Sophia M. Buttrick,	90 00
Maria W. Tolman,	90 00
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	\$1,067 00

SUPERVISION.

C. A. Record,	150 00
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TRANSPORTATION.

E. E. Stetson, Jan. 7, 1901, to March 16,	\$15 00
E. P. Joseph, Sept. 4, 1900, to March 16, 1901,	306 56
W. T. Lapham, Jan. 7 to March 16,	77 83
Benjamin Loring, Jan. 7 to March 16,	78 94
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	\$478 33

CARE OF ROOMS.

George R. Farrar, District No. 1,	\$4 00
Benjamin H. Delano, District No. 1,	6 00
Ralph D. Merritt, District No. 4,	3 50
E. W. French, District No. 5,	15 00
Wm. C. Tolman, District No. 7,	12 00
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	\$40 50
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	\$1,735 83

EXPENDITURES CHARGEABLE TO THE
APPROPRIATION.

FOR SPRING AND FALL TERMS OF YEAR 1901.

TEACHERS' SALARIES.

A. G. Catheron, Principal of High School,	\$700 96
Mattie S. Wilder, Asst. Principal of High School,	294 00
A. Gertrude Jones, drawing teacher,	90 00
Della F. Nichols, District No.-1, Grammar,	252 00
Sarah F. Richardson, District No. 1, Primary,	224 00
Marguerite Litchfield, District No. 2, Primary,	224 00
Louise E. Ford, District No. 4, Mixed,	108 00
Desdemona Heinrich, District No. 4, Mixed,	128 00

Martha C. Scully, District No. 5, Grammar,	252 00
Marion G. Merritt, District No. 5, Primary,	252 00
Nellie M. Sparrell, District No. 6, Primary,	115 20
Louise E. Ford, District No. 6, Pri- mary,	135 00
Sophia M. Buttrick, District No. 7, Grammar,	252 00
Maria W. Tolman, District No. 7, Pri- mary,	252 00
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	\$3,279 16

CARE OF ROOMS.

Fred J. Croning, High School, to July, 1901,	\$75 50
Fred J. Croning, High School, to Jan., 1902,	62 50
Geo. R. Farrar, District No. 1, Spring,	10 00
Peter Sheehan, " 1, Fall,	10 00
Charles H. Baker, " 2, Fall,	36 74
Percy Joseph, " 4, Spring,	3 50
E. W. French, " 5,	42 00
Chester Fitts, " 6, Spring,	4 00
W. C. Tolman, " 7,	9 90
Mary E. Winslow, " 7,	1 50
Minnie M. Smith, " 7,	1 50
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	\$256 24

FUEL AND FITTING.

Geo. F. Welch, coal,	\$57 07
Wallace Hackett, wood,	8 00
John Whalen, wood,	16 70
T. C. Sampson, wood,	30 00
W. S. Simmons, wood,	2 50
W. D. Turner, wood,	10 71
Wm. O. Merritt, moving wood,	1 00
S. C. Vinal, fitting and housing,	11 00
Leonard Winslow, fitting and housing,	9 25
Seth O. Fitts, fitting,	1 00
G. A. Totman, housing wood,	2 00
C. H. Totman, fitting and housing,	7 15
Colin Jordan, housing wood,	1 00
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	\$157 38
Total	<hr/>
	\$3,692 78

AVAILABLE FUNDS FOR PRESENT YEAR.

Town appropriation,	\$3,600 00
Dog tax (estimated),	294 47
State Board Lunacy and Charity,	102 50
Town of Rockland, for schooling,	78 00
Received from State on account teachers' salaries.	166 67
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	\$4,241 64
Amount expended,	3,692 78
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	\$548 86

Expenses to April (estimated),	1,170 00
Deficit,	<u>\$621 14</u>

SUPERINTENDENT.

Received from State,	\$250 00	
Toward appropriation,	250 00	
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		\$500 00
Paid C. A. Record,		350 00
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		\$150 00

MASSACHUSETTS STATE SCHOOL FUND.

Cash received from State,	\$394 72
Paid E. L. Loring for transportation,	220 92
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Unexpended balance,	\$173 80

SUPPLIES.

Appropriation.	\$400 00
Paid—	
Thomas R. Shewell & Co.,	\$3 75
Silver, Burdett & Co.,	6 00
Ginn & Co.,	53 22
E. E. Babb & Co.,	359 88

Boston Supply Co.,	5 00
D. C. Heath & Co.,	7 00
Allyn & Bacon,	12 50
Wadsworth, Howland & Co.,	8 07
Thompson, Brown & Co.,	30 60
J. L. Hammett & Co.,	1 00
American Book Co.,	13 80
J. S. Smith,	4 50

\$405 32

MARY L. F. POWER.

Postage,	\$1 04
Printing,	35
Postal Cards,	12
Telephoning,	30
Snaps for flags,	20
Roping flags,	50
Taking down pole and putting up halliards,	2 00
Ribbon for diplomas,	1 50

\$6 01

CLEANING SCHOOLHOUSES.

Annie F. Scully, No. 1,	\$12 00
Flora Winslow, No. 2,	6 00
Emma R. Totman, No. 3,	5 00
Mary A. Osborne, Nos. 4 and 5,	15 00
Seth O. Fitts, No. 6,	9 00
Eva L. Winslow, No. 7,	9 00
C. H. Baker, No. 2,	4 00

\$60 00

F. M. Curtis, supplies,		1 68
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		\$715 48
Cash collected for broken glass,	\$3 75	
Cash received from F. M. Curtis,	1 68	
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		\$5 43
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		\$710 05
F. M. Curtis, supplies,	\$1 68	
S. O. Fitts, labor at No. 6,	4 00	
F. A. Prouty, repairs at No. 1,	5 08	
Sarah F. Richardson, repairs on lock,	25	
Heywood, Bros. & Wakefield Co., rubber tips for chairs,	2 00	
Brown & Lehave, painting, District No. 6,	30 00	
Brown & Lehave, glazing, 1901,	16 98	
A. C. Litchfield, labor at No. 2,	3 00	
E. A. Parker, water supply for No. 7,	5 00	
Emmons Wood, water supply for High, 2 years,	15 00	
Wallace Hackett, lumber,	14 55	
Chas. H. Lapham, labor at High School,	2 00	
Albion Damon, labor at No. 2,	2 50	
Andrew Stockbridge, labor at High School,	5 00	
T. A. Lawrence, painting and glazing, No. 7,	45 50	
C. C. Merritt, water supply No. 4, 1901,	3 00	
J. R. Collamore, expressing,	10 68	
Edward B. Pratt, legal advice on vaccination laws,	25 00	

Carrie M. Ford, printing,	5 00
Samuel Ward & Co., graduation invitations,	17 25
Samuel Ward & Co., diplomas and engrossing,	7 50

REPAIRS AND INCIDENTALS.

Chandler Furniture Co., furniture for No. 1 Primary,	\$107 74
Geo. F. Welch, slate boards,	66 92
Geo. F. Welch, lumber and wire for fence,	20 08
F. A. Prouty, building fence,	22 97
Brown & Lehan, setting glass, year 1900,	5 15
D. Barnes, labor at No. 1,	4 25
A. J. Litchfield & Son, supplies to schools, 1900,	90
C. C. Merritt, water supply 1900, No. 4,	4 50
C. L. Rice & Co., shades for High School,	5 47
Hedge & Hall, repairs on stoves, High School,	5 25
Chandler Furniture Co., setting boards No. 7, 1899,	9 00
John H. Sparrell, freight and cartage,	3 23
Shepard, Norwell & Co., flags,	6 00
Page & Baker, chairs,	15 00
T. R. Cushing, clocks,	7 00
Phillips, Bates & Co., lumber and hardware,	2 38
Hedge & Hall, stoves, supplies and labor,	29 61
F. A. Prouty, repairs at Nos. 1 and 2,	3 75
Della F. Nichols, broom for No. 1,	40
Orpine Bros., teachers' desks,	17 00
Shepard, Norwell & Co., flag for High School,	7 50
Wm. O. Merritt, labor at No. 5,	5 00
W. H. Briggs, labor at No. 7,	6 00
Henry J. Tolman, shingling, etc., No. 7,	71 72

NORWELL, Jan. 27, 1902.

I have examined the accounts of the School Committee
and find vouchers for amounts paid.

GEO. CUSHING,
Auditor.

Report of Superintendent.

To the School Committee.

I herewith submit my second report as Superintendent of Schools.

SCHOOL WORK.

It is difficult to measure with exactness the amount of work done in our schools as to be always sure of its quality, but I am certain that in both quantity and quality the work of the past year exceeds the results of the previous year, and that the standard of the Norwell schools is higher than ever before.

It may be that we are attempting to give instruction in too many subjects, especially in the Grammar Schools, but when I consider what subject may be dropped, I find it very difficult to determine. To plan a course of study that shall be of the greatest practical benefit to those who must leave school at an early age, and at the same time make provision for those that are to take higher courses of study, is a very difficult problem.

Presuming it to be of interest to all, I will give a brief outline of what is being attempted in our schools.

LANGUAGE AND GRAMMAR.

The results from these subjects have been far from satisfactory, not only in the schools of Norwell, but throughout the country.

"The most important of all studies, up to and through the highest classes, is the study of language; for language is not only the medium of thought but the chief agent in cultivating the memory and taste."

Formerly the language in our schools received but little if any attention below the fourth grade. For a little more than a year we have had regular work in this subject in the third grade, and most of the teachers have carried it into their second grades with good results. In addition to this extra work in the lower grades there has been special effort put forth in all the upper grades both in the work in language and in technical grammar. As a result of this increase in effort the standard of our schools in respect to the subjects of language and grammar is much higher than it was a year ago.

WRITING.

We have had the vertical system of penmanship for some time.

The better grading, which resulted from establishing the two new grammar schools, has had as much to do with the improvement made in this line of work, if not more, than any other influence arising during the past two years, for by this grading the teachers have been able to give more personal attention to the work than they could hitherto. To quote the words of some of the teachers, "the writing in the Primary grades at the present time is as good as the writing of Grammar grade pupils was formerly."

ARITHMETIC.

I am glad to be able to report a decided improvement in this work.

The Nichols Arithmetics that were introduced into our schools a little more than a year ago have been a strong factor in producing this change. They have furnished the teachers with the material needed to stimulate the minds of the children to activity.

From inquiries and from visits to schools in towns of good educational standing, we find that the work in arithmetic in our schools compares very favorably with the work of the best schools in the State.

READING.

This is a very important subject, since through it the child must gain the greater part of his knowledge.

We are placing particular emphasis upon this subject. We believe that this branch of work should be the best equipped of any in the common schools.

Besides endeavoring to teach the child to read well we aim to create a desire on his part to read good books. In order to do this much of the reading matter used in the upper grades is selected for its literary merit.

It means much not only to the children but also to the community that a taste for good reading be formed.

GEOGRAPHY.

This subject is claiming and receiving the attention of prominent educators all over the country.

The work along this line, in years gone by, had not been satisfactory, accordingly at the beginning of the present school year some changes were made.

It had been the custom in our schools to commence formal text-book work on this subject at the beginning of the

fourth year. In so doing a difficult book was placed in the hands of a pupil that had not received sufficient training in reading to enable him to study his geography intelligently. Therefore we deemed it best to omit the text-book from the fourth grade and not use it until the beginning of the fifth year. Also a change was made in the work of the eighth grade, which will be carried into grades six and seven as soon as conditions permit.

It is our aim to have this subject so taught in the Grammar grades as to give the pupil a broader and more comprehensive view of it than the old method of instruction furnished.

OTHER SUBJECTS.

In addition to the subjects mentioned we have taught in the Grammar schools the following: History, physiology, algebra and civics.

A list of subjects taught in the High School will be found in the Principal's report.

TEXT BOOKS.

I believe that the selection of text books is one of the most important duties incumbent upon the superintendent.

"Next to the teacher, the text-book stands in closer relation to the prosperity of a school. The text-book is to the school what machinery is to a complex industrial process. In each case the quality of the work done depends very largely on the perfection of the tools which are employed."

It has been my constant aim to introduce the best books obtainable into our schools. I have not depended upon my judgment alone in making selections, but have sought the

opinion of others engaged in school work. I have endeavored always to keep in mind our particular needs when choosing new books, for no one text-book published can exactly meet the conditions in all places.

Your teachers express themselves in terms of satisfaction in regard to the new books introduced during the past year and a half, and in one instance you have been able to retain one of your best teachers because she found her school in this town equipped with better books than a school in an adjoining town which she might have had at a larger salary than you are paying her.

Hoping that nothing will happen to check the prosperous condition of our schools, I respectfully submit this report.

C. A. RECORD.

High School Report.

To the Superintendent of Schools of Norwell :

It is gratifying to report that the High School is now in a better condition than it has been at any previous time during my principalship.

The last graduating class numbered seven. The registration at the opening of the present school year in September was forty-two. This number, in view of the fact that there is only one pupil to graduate next June, shows a healthy growth of the school during the past year, and indicates a probable increase the coming year.

The attendance has been excellent. Most pupils living at a distance from the school have been transported the past year at the expense of their parents.

The establishment of Grammar Schools a little more than a year ago has this year shown its first effect on the High School in the marked improvement in the preparation of pupils entering the High School.

In the work of the school during the past year there have been few important changes. The subjects taught this year are arithmetic, algebra, geometry, book-keeping, grammar, rhetoric, English literature, Latin, French, history and physical geography.

No attempt is made to teach all subjects during each school year, but rather to so group studies as to diminish the number of classes and yet to give each pupil opportunity to elect any study at some time during his four-year course.

Pupils cannot be given proper instruction in the sciences, physics and chemistry, until rooms are specially fitted for that purpose. Until that is done we must continue to neglect a very valuable element in the training of the pupil.

High Schools have recently come to be recognized as much more than the means of preparing boys and girls for college. They finish the school education of a large majority of pupils. It is this majority that the High School should aim especially to serve rather than the very few who have the opportunity of a college course. A proper appreciation among parents and voters of the worth of a High School training to the average boy or girl will do much in securing a hearty co-operation in our work.

We wish to call the attention of parents to the necessity of at least two hours a day of home study on the part of each High School pupil. Such home study, with regular attendance and a serious disposition to regard his school work as the pupils' chief business, will help greatly in securing the results we are striving for.

Respectfully submitted,

ALLISON G. CATHERON.

TRANSCRIPT OF ARTICLES IN THE WARRANT.

FOR THE ANNUAL MEETING, MARCH 3, 1902,

AT 9 O'CLOCK A. M.

ARTICLE 1. To choose a Moderator.

ART. 2. To choose a Town Clerk.

ART. 3. To hear and act on the report of the Selectmen, Overseers of the Poor, Auditor, Collector and Treasurer.

ART. 4. To choose all such Town officers as the laws of the State and by-laws of the town require.

ART. 5. To bring in their votes "Yes" or "No" in answer to the question: Shall licenses be granted for the sale of intoxicating liquors in this town for the ensuing year?

ART. 6. What amount of money will the town raise for the support of poor and incidental expenses.

ART. 7. What sum of money will the town raise for the support of schools.

ART. 8. What sum of money will the town raise for highway repairs.

ART. 9. What compensation will the town make for removing snow, and appropriate money for the same.

ART. 10. In what manner and time shall the taxes be collected the ensuing year.

ART. 11. Will the town accept the list of Jurors as prepared by the Selectmen.

ART. 12. Will the town authorize the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to hire money in anticipation of taxes.

ART. 13. To hear and act on the report of any committee heretofore chosen.

ART. 14. To make allowance to town creditors.

ART. 15. What sum of money will the town appropriate for the use of Post 112, G. A. R., on Memorial Day.

ART. 16. What sum of money will the town appropriate for the payment of State and military aid.

ART. 17. What sum of money will the town appropriate to pay the Superintendent of Schools.

ART. 18. Will the town appropriate a sum of money to pay for the transportation of scholars to the High School.

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ART. 23. Will the town cause the Town Hall to be painted, and raise and appropriate a sum of money for the same.

ART. 24. Will the town cause a receiving tomb to be built in the cemetery, and raise and appropriate money for the same. (By request).

Citizens desiring additional articles in the warrant will present them to the Selectmen on or before Feb. 20, 1902.

GEORGE W. GRIGGS,
ALPHEUS THOMAS,
HENRY D. SMITH,

Selectmen of Norwell.

Norwell, Feb. 10, 1902.

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To the Citizens of the town of Norwell:

Your town officers respectfully submit the following as their fifty-third annual report.

REPORT OF THE TOWN CLERK.

At the annual meeting of the qualified voters of the Town of Norwell held March 3, 1902, the following action was taken on the articles contained in the warrant:

Article 1. To choose a Moderator.

Chose Alpheus Thomas Moderator.

Article 2. To choose a Town Clerk.

Chose Joseph F. Merritt Town Clerk.

Article 3. To hear and act on report of the Selectmen, Overseers of the Poor, Auditor, Collector and Treasurer.

Voted, that the reports of the above named officers be accepted.

Article 4. To choose all such town officers as the laws of the State and the by-laws of the Town require.

Chose the following officers by ballot:

Selectmen, Assessors and Overseers of the Poor, George W. Griggs, Alpheus Thomas, Henry D. Smith.

Treasurer, Horace T. Fogg.

Auditor, George Cushing.

Tree Warden, John Corthell.

School Committee for three years, Mrs. Mary E. Curtis.

Constables, William E. Wilder, Alpheus Thomas, Walter T. Osborn, John Corthell, J. Warren Foster.

Board of Health for three years, George C. Turner.

Tax Collector, Andrew J. Litchfield.

Highway Surveyors, District No. 1, Timothy Sheehan; District No. 2, Edwin Everett Jacobs; District No. 3, Carlton O. Litchfield; District No. 4, Joseph H. Hatch; District No. 5, William O. Merritt; District No. 6, John W. Burns; District No. 7, Francis E. Henderson.

The above named Highway Surveyors were also elected Field Drivers and Fence Viewers.

Cemetery Committee, Charles H. Lapham, George W. Curtis, Jerome H. Sawyer.

Article 5. To bring in their votes, "Yes" or "No," in answer to the question: "Shall license be granted for the sale of intoxicating liquors in this town for the ensuing year?"

The number of ballots cast was 157; Yes 34, No 123.

Article 6. What sum of money will the town raise for the support of poor and incidental expenses?

Voted to raise and appropriate \$2500.

Article 7. What sum of money will the town raise for the support of schools?

Voted, to raise and appropriate \$3755.01 and \$450 for supplies and incidentals.

Article 8. What sum of money will the town raise for highway repairs?

Voted, to raise and appropriate \$2500, and that the money be apportioned according to mileage as last year.

Voted, that the repairs of Prospect street bridges be made with the money apportioned to that district.

Voted, that \$100 be raised and appropriated for repairs of guide boards.

Article 9. What compensation will the town make for removing snow, and appropriate money for the same?

Voted, 25 cents per hour and that the money received from the street railway excise tax be used as an appropriation for this purpose.

Article 10. In what manner and time shall the taxes be collected the ensuing year?

Voted, that they be collected in the same manner and time as last year, and that the salary of the Collector be \$225.

Voted, that the Collector have the same powers that he would if Treasurer.

Article 11. Will the town accept the list of Jurors as prepared by the Selectmen?

A committee was chosen to revise the jury list and the revised list was accepted.

LIST OF JURORS.

James B. Knapp	Joseph H. Hatch
Wm. H. Appleford	John Corthell
David Bassford	Joseph C. Otis
George B. Ellms	Edwin M. Sexton
Clifton S. Deane	Henry J. Tolman
Wallace M. Shaw	James A. Wallace
Andrew S. Richardson	George A. Ayling
Henry F. Ford	George H. Bates
Frederick J. Croning	Carlton O. Litchfield
Charles D. Barnard	George F. Cate
Arthur T. Stoddard	Jerome H. Sawyer
James L. Litchfield	Charles E. Hunt
Orlando H. Lake	John Whalen
James E. Stoddard	Fred H. Kidder

Article 12. Will the town authorize the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to hire money in anticipation of taxes?

Voted, that the Treasurer be authorized, with the approval of the Selectmen, to hire money in anticipation of taxes.

Article 13. To hear and act on the report of any committee heretofore chosen.

No action taken under this article.

Article 14. To make allowance to town creditors.

Voted, that on the matter of Arthur C. Litchfield's bill,

the tuition part of the bill be paid and the matter be left in the hands of the School Committee for adjustment, with instructions not to pay any portion of bill for transportation.

Article 15. What sum of money will the town appropriate for the use of Post 112, G. A. R., on Memorial Day?

Voted, to appropriate \$100.

Article 16. What sum of money will the town appropriate for the payment of state and military aid?

Voted, to appropriate \$2100.

Article 17. What sum of money will the town appropriate to pay the Superintendent of Schools?

Voted, to appropriate \$250.

Article 18. Will the town appropriate a sum of money to pay for the transportation of scholars to the High School?

Voted, to pass over this article.

Article 19. Will the town give any instructions to town officers?

Voted, that the Highway Surveyors be instructed to expend one-third of appropriation in clearing out gutters.

Voted, that they also cause the bushes to be mowed along the roadside where they have not been mowed within two years.

Voted, that the Selectmen cause the proof sheets of the annual reports to be read and corrected before they are finally sent to press.

Voted, that the Town Clerk be instructed to publish in the annual report the doings of the annual meetings and also any special meetings.

Voted, that all special meetings be called in the evening rather than the afternoon.

Article 20. Will the town cause a statement of their financial affairs to be printed in February next.

Voted, that they do.

Article 21. What sum of money will the town raise for repairs of schoolhouses and incidentals?

Voted, to raise and appropriate \$350.

Article 22. Will the town appropriate a sum of money to be expended in the cemetery on Washington street?

Voted, that the Cemetery Committee be authorized to expend the money received from the sale of lots, for care of cemetery?

Article 23. Will the town cause the Town Hall to be painted, and raise and appropriate a sum of money for the same?

Voted, that they do and that the sum of \$150 be appropriated for that purpose. The Selectmen to have charge of the matter.

Article 24. Will the town cause a receiving tomb to be built in the cemetery on Washington street, and raise and appropriate money for the same?

Voted, to leave the matter in the hands of a committee to report at a future meeting. Committee: George W. Curtis, Alpheus Thomas, Frank Jones.

Article 25. Will the town take any action in regard to establishing a Public Library and raise and appropriate a sum of money for the same?

Voted, that the Selectmen be a committee to confer with the James Library Committee in regard to the townspeople being allowed to have the use of said Library, and to report at a future meeting.

Article 26. Will the town cause the school yards in Districts No. 5 and 7 to be graded?

Voted, to leave the matter in the hands of the School Committee.

Article 27. Will the town appropriate a sum of money for the observance of Old Home week or pass any vote relative thereto?

Voted to pass over this article.

Article 28. Will the town raise the sum of one thousand dollars to pay the town note due the South Scituate Savings Bank Feb. 1, 1903?

Voted, to raise \$1000 to pay the above named note.

Article 29. Will the town raise a sum of money to be used for the suppression of crime?

Voted, that \$300 be raised and appropriated for this purpose and placed in the hands of the Selectmen.

Article 30. Will the town instruct their Selectmen to execute and deliver a quit claim deed of that part of its land at Church Hill known as the "Training Field" to a cemetery association to be hereafter formed?

Voted, to authorize the Selectmen to execute and deliver a quit claim deed of that part of its land at Church Hill, known as the training field to a cemetery association to be hereafter formed.

Article 31. Or act or do anything relative to the above.

The following communication was received from Mrs. William McKinley in reply to resolutions sent Sept. 14, 1901.

Voted to spread them on the records.

"Mrs. McKinley acknowledges with grateful appreciation the tender expressions of sympathy extended to her in her sorrow." Canton, Ohio, September, 1901.

Voted, that \$50 be raised and appropriated for the use of the Tree Warden.

Voted, that the salary of the School Committee be \$2.50 per day for the ensuing year.

Voted, to sell two fish rights at auction.

The purchaser was C. S. Tilden, who gave \$2.50 for one and \$3 for the other.

Voted, that the money to be raised be assessed on the polls and estates of residents and the estates of non residents.

Voted, that the Moderator be paid \$5 for his services this day.

Voted, that the Town Clerk be allowed \$5 per day for services at annual meetings and elections, and \$3 for special meetings.

Voted, that meeting be dissolved.

JOSEPH F. MERRITT, Town Clerk.

STATE ELECTION.

Pursuant to a warrant duly executed, the legal voters of Norwell met at the Town Hall, Tuesday, November 4, 1902, and gave in their ballots as follows:

Whole number of ballots cast, 179.

GOVERNOR.

John L. Bates, Republican	92
Michael T. Berry, Socialist Labor Nom. Paper	3
John C. Chase, Socialist	6
William A. Gaston, Democratic	71
William H. Partridge, Prohibition	2
Blanks	5

LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR.

John Quincy Adams, Socialist	6
Thomas F. Brennan, Socialist Labor Nom. Paper	3
Oliver W. Cobb, Prohibition	1
Curtis Guild, Jr., Republican	97
Herbert C. Joyner, Democratic	60
Blanks	10

SECRETARY.

Edward A. Buckland, Socialist	6
Herbert B. Griffin, Prohibition	1
Jeremiah O'Fihelly, Socialist Labor Nom. Paper	4
William M. Olin, Republican	100
Willmore B. Stone, Democratic	53
Blanks	15

TREASURER AND RECEIVER GENERAL.

Edward S. Bradford, Republican	100
Joseph L. Clalifoux, Democratic	48
Frederick A. Nagler, Socialist Labor Nom. Paper	4
Daniel Parlin, Prohibition	2
David Taylor, Socialist	7
Blanks	18

AUDITOR.

David Morrison, Prohibition	3
S. Fremont Packard, Socialist	6
Charles Stoeber, Socialist Labor Nom. Paper	2
Thomas C. Thacher, Democratic	50
Henry E. Turner, Republican	99
Blanks	19

ATTORNEY GENERAL.

Allen Coffin, Prohibition	2
Charles E. Fenner, Socialist	7
John J. Flaherty, Democratic	47
John A. Henley, Socialist Labor Nom. Paper	2
Herbert Parker, Republican	103
Blanks	18

REPRESENTATIVE IN CONGRESS. (14th DISTRICT.)

Jeremiah Devine, Socialist Labor Nom. Paper	2
Charles B. Gaffney, Prohibition	3
Charles A. Gilday, Democratic	61
William C. Lovering, Republican	89
Isaac W. Skinner, Socialist	9
Blanks	15

COUNCILLOR. (1st DISTRICT.)

George W. Bloomstand, Socialist	6
Benjamin C. Cromwell, Jr., Democratic	52
David F. Slade, Republican	98
Blanks	23

SENATOR (1st PLYMOUTH DISTRICT.)

Charles B. Drew, Socialist	12
Elisha T. Harvell, Republican	98
Edward G. Knight, Prohibition	1
Andrew Shanahan, Democratic	56
Blanks	12

REPRESENTATIVE IN GENERAL COURT.

2d PLYMOUTH DISTRICT.

Ernest L. Bonney, Republican	79
John J. Ford, Democratic	97
Blanks	3

COUNTY COMMISSIONER (PLYMOUTH COUNTY.)

Thomas H. Dunn, Socialist	6
William Rankin, Republican	101
Ezra S. Whitmarsh, Democratic	54
Barzillai E. Wright, Prohibition	3
Blanks	15

Meeting dissolved.

JOSEPH F. MERRITT, Town Clerk.

CLERKS' CONVENTION.

At a meeting of the Clerks of the several towns, comprising the Second Plymouth Representative District, held Nov. 14, 1902, at Marshfield, it was ascertained that the vote for Representative was as follows :

Whole number of ballots	962
Ernest L. Bonney, Republican	515
John J. Ford, Democratic	374
Blanks	73

Ernest L. Bonney having a plurality of the votes returned was declared to be elected.

REGISTERED VOTERS.

At the close of registration, Oct. 25, 1902, there were 389 male voters and 1 female voter on the list.

ENROLLED MILITIA.

Number of men liable to be called on to perform military duty under provisions of Chap. 16, Sec. 8, of Revised Laws, 241.

DOGS LICENSED.

The number of dogs licensed during the year ending Dec. 1, 1902, was as follows :

Male	129
Female	18
Special Breeders' License	1

MARRIAGES REGISTERED DURING YEAR 1902.

- Jan. 23, At Hanover, John A. Moulton and Annie A. Damon, both of Norwell, by Rev. Andrew Reade.
- Feb. 5, At North Scituate, Fred W. Gardner and Mary A. Burns, both of Norwell, by Rev. Arthur W. Chase.
- Feb. 6, At Norwell, Charles H. Smith and Josephine J. Barden, both of Norwell, by Rev. Frederick H. Kidder.
- Feb. 8, At Cohasset, William T. Litchfield of Cohasset and Eva Griffin of Norwell, by Rev. William R. Cole.
- Mar. 5, At Hanover, Allan F. Rand of Norwell and Ernestine May Coburn of Worcester, by Rev. John Wild.
- May 1, At Marshfield, Frederick A. Stoddard and Mary H. Brewster, both of Norwell, by Rev. James Nobbs.
- May 29, At Hanover, Ralph Starr Lovell of Rockland and Clara May Merrill of Norwell, by Rev. John Wild.
- July 30, At Hanover, Fred Carroll Studley of Hanover and Garaphelia Wilder of Norwell, by Rev. Melvin S. Nash.
- Aug. 19, At Cohasset, Jeremiah H. Lehan and Rose Anna Lemery, both of Norwell, by Rev. William H. McDonough.
- Sept. 6, At Rockland, Walter Southard Briggs and Charlotte Osborn, both of Norwell, by Rev. B. H. Lane.
- Sept. 16, At Norwell, Charles Thomas Stockbridge of Hingham and Ada Frances Reed of Norwell, by Rev. Frederick L. Cleveland.

- Sept. 17, At Norwell, Horace Tower Fogg and L. Isabella Faulkner, both of Norwell, by Rev. Edward H. Keens.
- Sept. 30, At Norwell, Horace M. Hunt of Rockland and Sarah C. Nash of Norwell, by Rev. Edward H. Keens.
- Oct. 1, At North Hanover, James J. Farrar of Brockton and Mary E. Farrar of Norwell, by Rev. Frederick L. Cleveland.
- Oct. 6, At Hanover, Charles E. Brewster and Flora Bates both of Norwell, by Rev. Melvin S. Nash.
- Oct. 8, At Norwell, Charles E. Simmons and Elizabeth A. Chandler, both of Norwell, by Rev. John Wild.
- Oct. 15, At Norwell, Marshall Wallace Leavitt of Hanover and Bertha Josephine Hatch of Norwell, by Rev. John Wild.
- Oct. 18, At Hanover, Louis B. Whiting of Hanover and Flora Young of Norwell, by Rev. Melvin S. Nash.
- Oct. 19, At Norwell, George Francis Crocker of Norwell and Lena Woodward Sampson of Rockland, by Rev. Melvin S. Nash.
- Nov. 21, At Hanover, Stacy Graham Benson of Norwell and Leona E. Laurie of Hingham, by Rev. Melvin S. Nash.
- Dec. 17, At Norwell, John Gunderway of Hanover and Clara Patterson of Norwell, by Rev. Edward H. Keens.
- Dec. 28, At Norwell, Elmer Wallace Henderson of Rockland, and Florence May Hunt of Norwell, by Rev. John Wild.

BIRTHS REGISTERED IN NORWELL DURING THE YEAR 1902.

DATE OF BIRTH.	NAME OF CHILD.	NAME OF PARENTS.	MAIDEN NAME OF MOTHER.
January 31,	Annie May Sears.....	William and Mabel.....	Cromwell.
March 31,	Clarence Perley Jones.....	Frederick and Agnes E.....	Perley.
April 5,	Percy Edwin Hatch.....	George S. and Annie.....	Burger.
May 14,	Robert Lewis Church.....	Wilbur R. and Abbie F.....	Pearson.
24,	Edith Damon.....	Wallace H. and Fannie M.....	Crocker.
28,	Marian Eleanor Gertrude Boynton.....	Walter L. and Laura M.....	Vinal.
5,	Lora Ellsworth Thomas.....	Charles W. and Flora G.....	Rogers.
August 5,	Florence Caroline Turner.....	Arthur J. and Hattie.....	Damon.
September 20,	Norwell Horton Keens.....	Edward H. and Jamie.....	Horton.
October 15,	Lester Franklin Cobbett.....	Fred and Effie.....	Cummings.
21,	Bertram Howard Joseph.....	Emanuel P. and Nettie M.....	Perry.
November 12,	Lorenzo Franklin Cromwell.....	Lorenzo and Lucy.....	Thompson.
19,	James Edward Costello.....	James and Rebecca.....	Brown.
December 12,	— Jacobs.....	Edward Everett and Mabel.....	Harrison.
19,	— Monahan.....	John and Mattie.....	O'Neal.
25,	Marie Christina Olsen.....	Samuel and Isabel May.....	Osborne.
1901.			Pratt.
June 15,	Levi Raleigh Olsen.....	Samuel and Isabel May.....	Osborne.
October 21,	Ruth Carolyn Litchfield.....	Arthur C. and Carrie G.....	Pratt.

Blank forms for returns required of physicians and midwives can be procured at the office of the Town Clerk.

DEATHS, 1902.

DATE.	NAME.	AGE.		CAUSE OF DEATH.	BIRTHPLACE.	PLACE OF DEATH.
		Y.	M. D.			
January 11,	Sarah Holmes.....	87	9	Fracture of hip joint.....	Marshfield.	Norwell.
27,	Susan Elizabeth Simmons.....	69	8	Diabetes, gangrene of foot.....	Maine.	"
February 12,	Emmons Wood.....	62	3	Diabetes.....[nal injuries	E. Randolph.	"
13,	Samuel Loring.....	66	3	Comp. frac. Tibia and inter-	Hingham,	"
14,	Luke Huff.....	55	4	Pneumonia.....	Maine.	"
24,	Charlotte E. Jones.....	71	4	Apoplexy.....	Scituate.	E. Bridgewater.
25,	Nancy Smith.....	80	9	Epilepsy, old age.....	Hingham.	Norwell.
28,	Lyman Lincoln.....	47	9	Acute Bronchitis...[causes	So. Scituate.	"
May 19,	Mabel Gilman Spaulding.....	1	6	Unknown, probably natural	Hanover,	"
15,	Edith Damon.....	25	1	Premature birth.....	Norwell.	"
July 13,	L. Ella Gunderway Marrow....	50	11	Consumption.....	So. Scituate.	"
7,	Sarah L. Williams.....	65	3	Bronchitis, weak heart.....	Ireland.	"
7,	Lillian G. Cronwell.....	1	1	Apoplexy.....	Sandwich.	"
22,	Susan F. Hatch.....	48	2	Gastro enteritis.....	Norwell.	"
26,	William S. Hatch.....	75	9	Carcinoma.....	Virginia.	"
7,	Illegitimate.....	1	10	Fracture of neck of femur.	Scituate.	"
9,	George Sylvester.....	78	7	Broncho-Pneumonia.....	Norwell.	"
11,	Ann Clapp.....	83	7	Asthenia.....	Scituate.	"
15,	James Abijah Wallace.....	52	9	Paralysis.....	Frammingham.	Everett.
			10	Confluent variola. Pneumo'a	Thornton, N. H	

Number of marriages, 22 ; number of births, 18 ; number of deaths, 20.

Respectfully submitted,

JOSEPH F. MERRITT, Town Clerk.

REPORT OF THE TOWN TREASURER.

Horace T. Fogg, Treas., in account with Town of Norwell.

DR.

To cash on hand January 20, 1902,	\$2,741 34
Dog tax 1901, refunded,	305 88
Income Massachusetts school fund,	917 44
Refunded by the Commonwealth:	
Corporation tax,	6,539 76
National bank tax,	757 86
Support State paupers,	14 25
Superintendent of Schools,	416 66
Inspection of Animals,	16 25
Education of children,	47 50
State aid,	1,957 00
Street Railway tax,	345 18
Refunded by Towns:	
Town of Holbrook, aid,	104 00
Town of Whitman, aid,	79 50
Town of Marshfield, aid,	64 00
Town of Plymouth, aid,	14 50
Town of Scituate, aid,	64 75
Town of Hanover, aid,	5 00
City of Boston, aid,	18 75
Board of Mary L. Bowker, refunded,	169 46
Sale of lots in cemetery,	30 00
South Scituate Savings Bank, notes in anticipation of taxes,	5,800 00
Charles S. Tilden, fish rights,	5 50
Charles A. Bates, interest,	7 50
Second District Court, fines,	12 00

Harry S. Merrett, license,	\$2 00
John B. Benson, license,	2 00
Town of Scituate, use of roller,	5 00
F. D. Graves, use of roller,	5 00
Geo. W. Griggs,	3 75
School Committee, sale of boards,	1 00
James H. Pinkham, Superintendent of Almshouse,	91 00
Interest on temporary deposit,	34 29
Old Colony Street Railway, excise tax,	203 08
Additional assessment, 1901,	9 80
Assessment of 1902,	13,111 70

\$33,902 70

CR.

By Cash paid on Selectmen's orders,	\$17,832 67
Post 112, G. A. R., per vote of Town,	100 00
Alpheus Thomas, Moderator, per vote of Town,	5 00
Police Officers and Constables, Second District Court,	32 35
South Scituate Savings Bank, anticipation notes,	5,800 00
South Scituate Savings Bank, interest on above notes,	149 08
South Scituate Savings Bank, on account of time loan,	5,000 00
South Scituate Savings Bank, interest on time loan,	489 68
Interest on Coffin poor fund note,	80 00
Interest on A. T. Otis poor fund note,	52 00
Scituate tax,	6 23
State tax,	510 00
County tax,	1,084 69
Cash on hand to balance,	2,761 00

\$33,902 70

Respectfully submitted,

HORACE T. FOGG, Treas.

TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT.

Andrew J. Litchfield, in account with the town of Norwell.

DR.

To excise tax of Old Colony Street Railway Co.	\$203 08
To assessment of May 1, 1902	13,111 70
	<hr/>
	\$13,314 78

CR.

By excise tax paid Treasurer	\$203 08
By cash paid Treasurer	12,778 94
By cash deposited with Treasurer to relieve bondsmen	332 76
	<hr/>
	\$13,314 78

ANDREW J. LITCHFIELD, Collector.

TAXES ABATED.

1901 TAX.

Benj. Briggs	\$12 52
Laban R. Bates	2 29
David H. Bates	2 37
Samuel Olsen	2 73

Ashburton W. Pinson	\$4 35
William H. Pratt	2 87
Mary Shepherd	7 25
Mary R. Turner	7 25
Charles P. Talbot	2 00
Angeline V. Rogers	4 35
Alden Beach	2 00
Chas. David	3 67
B. L. Griswold	2 00
Frank E. Johnson	2 00
Chas. H. Kendall	2 00
Judson P. King	2 00
William C. Litchfield	2 36
Hiram Damon	2 00
Elisha Jacobs, est.	2 03
Louis E. White	2 00
Mrs. Chas. B. Hatch	1 45
Frank H. Whitcher	2 00
E. E. Gunderway	2 29
John W. Osborn	2 00
Mrs. Almira Griswold	. 3 99
Matthew Silva	2 00
Betsey B. Tolman, est.	12 70

\$96 47

ASSESSORS' REPORT.

Value of buildings	\$443,918 00
“ “ land	236,997 00
“ “ personal	159,340 00
Total	<u>\$840,255 00</u>

State tax	\$510 00
County tax	1,084 69
Town tax	11,255 01
Overlaying	262 00
Total tax	<u>\$13,111 70</u>

Street railway excise tax, \$203.08.

Assessors' warrant to collector, \$13,111.70.

Rate of taxation per thousand, \$14.50.

Number of polls assessed	464
Paying poll tax only	138
Horses assessed	398
Cows assessed	223
Neat cattle other than cows	43
Sheep assessed	56
Swine assessed	30
Fowl assessed	6,408
Dwelling houses assessed	447
Acres of land assessed	12,017

GEORGE W. GRIGGS,
ALPHEUS THOMAS,
HENRY D. SMITH,
Assessors of Norwell.

HIGHWAYS.

DISTRICT NO. 1.

Share of appropriation	\$256 92
Timothy Sheehan, 16 days at \$2	\$32 00
Edwin C. Briggs and 2 horses, 18 hours at 50c	9 00
John R. Collamore and 2 horses, 36 hours at 50c	18 00
Charles E. Brewster and 2 horses, 18 hours at 50c	9 00
Daniel Barnes and 2 horses, 44 hours at 50c	22 00
Wm. H. Farrar and 2 horses, 53 hours at 50c	26 50
Wm. H. Farrar and 1 horse, 10 hours at 33 1-3c	3 33
Asa Robinson and 1 horse, 23 hours at 33 1-3c	7 67
J. Sheehan and 1 horse, 27 hours at 33 1-3c	9 00
J. Sheehan, 72 hours at 20c	14 40
Charles Scully, 114 1-2 hours at 20c	22 90
Wm. E. Wilder, 18 hours at 20c	3 60
Brenton H. Griffin, 99 hours at 20c	19 80
Edward L. Loring, 82 hours at 20c	16 40
Edward L. Loring and 1 horse, 27 hours at 33 1-3c	9 00
George H. Bates, 27 hours at 20c	5 40
C. V. Chapman, 9 hours at 20c	1 80
Charles Pratt, 23 hours at 20c	4 60
Charles Abbott, 23 hours at 20c	4 60
Alonzo Prouty, 18 hours at 20c	3 60
Asa Vining, 14 hours at 20c	2 80
John Brown, gravel	4 50
Elisha Sprague, gravel	4 00
Alva C. Tisdale, gravel	4 50
C. B. Collins, gravel	2 00

Samuel Litchfield, gravel	\$3 75
Edward W. Gardner, smith work	1 00
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	\$265 15

TIMOTHY SHEEHAN,
Surveyor.

DISTRICT NO. 2.

Share of appropriation	\$405 14
Edwin E. Jacobs, 9 days at \$2.00	\$18 00
Edwin E. Jacobs and 2 horses, 129 hours at 50c	64 50
Edwin E. Jacobs and 1 horse, 33 hours at 33 1-3c	11 00
Edwin E. Jacobs, 2 horses, 36 hours at 33 1-3c	12 00
Edwin E. Jacobs, 1 horse, 27 hours at 16 2-3c	4 50
Edward A. Jacobs, 1 day at \$2.00	2 00
Edward A. Jacobs and 2 horses, 22 hours at 50c	11 00
George W. Rix and 2 horses, 55 hours at 50c	27 50
George W. Rix, 20 loads gravel at 6c	1 20
James W. Warner, 1 horse, 18 hours at 16 2-3c	3 00
Andrew Clapp and 1 horse, 15 hours at 33 1-3c	5 00
Andrew Clapp, 50 hours at 20c	10 00
Patrick McNicol, 25 hours at 20c	5 00
Edwin C. Briggs, 20 1-2 hours at 20c	4 10
Edwin C. Briggs and 2 horses, 27 hours at 50c	13 50
Edwin C. Briggs, 2 horses, 9 hours at 33 1-3c	3 00
Alonzo Stoddard, 90 hours at 20c	18 00
Henry Fox, 18 hours at 20c	3 60
Charles H. Wilder, 128 1-2 hours at 20c	25 70
Charles H. Wilder, 1 horse, 18 hours at 16 2-3c	3 00
Albion Damon, 76 1-2 hours at 20c	15 30
Henry Main, 99 hours at 20c	19 80
Patrick Gammon, 108 hours at 20c	21 60
Simeon Damon, 111 hours at 20c	22 20

Frank Damon, 18 hours at 20c	\$3 60
William J. Hayden, 72 hours at 20c	14 40
O. D. Burhoff, 71 1-2 hours at 20c	14 30
Alpheus Damon, 9 hours at 20c	1 80
Alpheus Damon, use of tools	1 50
Benjamin Loring and 2 horses, 36 hours at 50c	18 00
Benjamin Loring, 30 loads gravel at 6c	1 80
Walter Briggs, 9 hours at 20c	1 80
Joseph Briggs, 9 hours at 20c	1 80
W. A. Spaulding, 27 hours at 20c	5 40
William Briggs, 4 loads gravel at 6c	24
Bela Jacobs Estate, 132 loads gravel at 6c	7 92
George F. Welch, drain pipe	4 30
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	\$401 36

EDWIN E. JACOBS, Surveyor.

DISTRICT NO. 3.

Share of appropriation	\$439 72
C. O. Litchfield, 22 1-2 days at \$2.00	\$45 00
C. O. Litchfield and 2 horses, 144 1-2 hours at 50c	72 25
C. O. Litchfield, 1 horse, 70 1-2 hours at 16 2-3c	11 75
C. O. Litchfield, post and rails	1 50
C. O. Litchfield, sharpening picks	40
C. O. Litchfield, 2 horses, 9 hours at 33 1-3c	3 00
Clifford Brett and 2 horses, 70 1-2 hours at 50c	35 25
Clifford Brett and 1 horse, 4 hours at 33 1-3	1 33
Nelson Osborn, 28 hours at 20c	5 60
Scott Osborne, 25 1-2 hours at 20c	5 10
Henry Leavitt, 151 1-2 hours at 20c	30 30
Robert Leavitt, 132 hours at 20c	26 40
Alvin Baker, 60 hours at 20c	12 00
Henry Winslow, 12 hours at 20c	2 40

Fred Bates and two horses, 112 1-2 hours at 50c	\$56 25
Fred Bates, gravel, 43 loads at 6c	2 58
George Richardson, 159 1-2 hours at 20c	31 90
Levi Osborne, 32 hours at 20c	6 40
George Vinal, 40 hours at 20c	8 00
George Vinal, gravel, 14 loads at 6c	84
Alvin Vinal, 16 hours at 20c	3 20
Wallace Hackett and 4 horses, 9 hours at 83 1-3c	7 50
Wallace Hackett, gravel, 44 loads at 6c	2 64
Ed. Winslow, 18 hours at 20c	3 60
Wm. Morse, 9 hours at 20c	1 80
Roy Richardson, 32 hours at 20c	6 40
A. L. Richardson, 63 hours at 20c	12 60
Earl Richardson, 63 hours at 20c	12 60
Lyman Lincoln, 54 hours at 16 2-3c	9 00
E. G. Bates, gravel, 48 loads at 6c	2 88
Elisha Sprague, gravel, 27 loads at 6c	1 62
Walter Simmons, gravel, 27 loads at 6c	1 62
Mr. Unangst, gravel, 80 loads at 6c	4 80
Henry Ford, gravel, 7 loads at 6c	42
A. J. Sprague, gravel, 115 loads at 6c	6 90
Geo. F. Welch & Co., drain pipe	9 00
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	\$444 83

C. O. LITCHFIELD, Surveyor.

DISTRICT NO. 4.

Share of appropriation	\$291 50
J. H. Hatch, 9 1-2 days at \$2.00	\$19 00
J. H. Hatch, man and 2 horses, 72 hours at 50c	36 00
J. H. Hatch, 2 horses, 51 hours at 33 1-3c	17 00
J. H. Hatch, 1 horse, 20 hours at 16 2-3c	3 33
J. H. Hatch, man and 1 horse, 7 hours at 33 1-3c	2 33

J. W. Hatch, 106 hours at 20c	\$21 20
Archie Merritt, 18 hours at 20c	3 60
Chas. A. Bates, lighting Black pond bridge	1 50
John Whalen, 46 hours at 20c	9 20
John Whalen and 2 horses, 49 hours at 50c	24 50
John Whalen, one horse, 16 hours at 16 2-3c	2 67
John Whalen, two horses, 9 hours at 33 1-3c	3 00
Fred W. Gardner and two horses, 36 hours at 50c	18 00
Fred W. Gardner, one man, 18 hours at 20c	3 60
George H. Turner and 2 horses, 18 hours at 50c	9 00
John F. Wilder, 57 hours at 20c	11 40
George Jenkins, 36 hours at 20c	7 20
Caleb L. Litchfield, 44 hours at 20c	8 80
Caleb D. Litchfield, 9 hours at 20c	1 80
Herbert Litchfield, 32 hours at 20c	6 40
D. Oscar Wagner and 2 horses, 14 hours at 50c	7 00
John T. Moody and 2 horses, 9 hours at 50c	4 50
Laban Bates, 4 hours at 20c	80
Geo. F. Welch & Co., drain pipe	9 60
Jesse Reed, 5 hours at 20c	1 00
A. J. Litchfield, gravel, 18 loads at 6c	1 08
W. S. Blanchard, gravel, 12 loads at 6c	72
John T. Moody, gravel, 61 loads at 6c	3 66
C. H. Kilburn, gravel, 38 loads at 6c	2 28
A. J. Litchfield & Son	2 45
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	\$242 62

J. H. HATCH, Surveyor.

DISTRICT NO. 5.

Share of appropriation	\$395 26
Wm. O. Merritt, 32 days at \$2.00	\$64 00
Wm. O. Merritt, 1 rake	75

Wm. O. Merritt, 2 horses four hours at 30c	\$1 20
Guy Merritt and 2 horses 272 1-2 hours at 50c	136 25
Guy Merritt, 45 hours at 20c	9 00
L. Frank Hammond and 2 horses, 47 1-2 hours at 50c	23 75
John Sparrell and two horses, 78 1-2 hours at 50c	39 25
Frank Baker, 224 hours at 20c	44 80
E. F. Freeman, 127 1-2 hours at 20c	25 50
Wm. E. Sexton, 99 hours at 20c	19 80
Albert Merritt, 48 hours 20c	9 60
Geo. Barrell, 9 hours at 20c	1 80
Harry G. Pinson, 45 hours at 20c	9 00
John Prince, 28 1-2 hours at 20c	5 70
Harry Merritt, 27 hours at 20c	5 40
O. H. Lake, 58 hours at 20c	11 60
Daniel R. Ewell, 10 hours at 20c	2 00
Mrs. David Torrey, gravel	9 36
Mrs. Emma Bates, gravel	7 86
H. S. Turner & Co., 1 shovel	75
C. W. Tilden, smithwork	1 40
Geo. F. Welch & Co., 2 shovels	2 00
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	\$430 77

WM. O. MERRITT, Surveyor.

DISTRICT NO. 6.

Share of appropriation	\$311 26
J. W. Burns, 20 days at \$2	\$40 00
J. W. Burns, 2 horses 4 days at \$3	12 00
J. W. Burns, 1 horse 2 days at \$1.50	3 00
J. W. Burns, gravel	2 64
B. F. Burns and 2 horses, 91 hours at 50c	45 50
James Spellman, 108 hours at 20c	21 60
Hosea L. Stetson, 117 hours at 20c	23 40

John C. Brown and 2 horses, 40 hours at 50c	\$20 00
Walter Osborn, 13 hours at 20c	2 60
Seth O. Fitts, 94 hours at 20c	18 80
H. C. Ford and 2 horses, 27 hours at 50c	13 50
James W. Sampson and 2 horses, 36 hours at 50c	18 00
James W. Sampson, gravel	84
James Green, gravel	6 54
Walter Jacobs, 18 hours at 20c	3 60
James A. Wallace, 64 hours at 20c	12 80
Wm. Briggs, 35 hours at 20c	7 00
Geo. F. Welch & Co., 1 pick	1 25
Geo. F. Welch & Co., scythe, etc.	1 60
F. M. Curtis & Co., 2 shovels	1 50
A. J. Litchfield & Son, supplies	3 60
Henry C. Ford and 2 horses 72 hours at 50c	36 00
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	\$295 77

JOHN W. BURNS, Surveyor.

DISTRICT NO. 7.

Share of appropriation	\$400 20
F. E. Henderson, 17 days at \$2	\$34 00
F. E. Henderson, man and 2 horses 83 hours at 50c	41 50
F. E. Henderson, 2 horses 27 hours at 33 1-3c	9 00
F. E. Henderson, 44 1-2 hours at 20c	8 90
J. C. Durnin and 2 horses, 100 hours at 50c	50 00
Mrs. Laura Rockwell, man and horse 38 hours at 33 1-3c	12 67
Mrs. Laura Rockwell, 1 horse 4 hours at 16 2-3c	66
Samuel Vinal, 93 hours at 20c	18 60
James B. Knapp, 45 hours at 20c	9 00
James B. Knapp and 1 horse, 77 1-2 hours at 33 1-3c	25 83
Albion Snowdale, 149 hours at 20c	29 80
John Knapp, 60 1-2 hours at 20c	12 10

James W. Studley, 150 1-2 hours at 20c	\$30.10
Chas. Smith, 85 hours at 20c	17 00
Howard Packard, 30 hours at 20c	6 00
Robert Montgomery, 39 1-2 hours at 20c	7 90
Robert Montgomery and 1 horse 51 hours at 33 1-3c	16 99
Robert McKee, 113 1-2 hours at 20c	22 70
Chas. Simmons, 41 hours at 20c	8 20
Wm. Rand, 5 hours at 20c	1 00
F. H. Kidder, 23 1-2 hours at 20c	4 70
Angus Piper, 24 1-2 hours at 20c	4 90
I. Chenervert, 64 hours at 33 1-3c	21 33
Lucy Turner, gravel, 240 loads at 6c	14 40
Everett Winslow, gravel, 83 loads at 6c	4 98
E. E. Stetson, gravel, 58 loads at 6c	3 48
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	\$415 74

FRANCIS E. HENDERSON, Surveyor.

GENERAL HIGHWAY ACCOUNT.

Good Roads Machinery Co., edge	\$8 00
C. W. Tilden, labor on road machine	8 00
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	\$16 00
Amount of appropriation	\$2,500 00
Amount expended	2,512 23

REMOVING SNOW.

DISTRICT NO. 1.

Timothy Sheehan, 17 1-2 hours at 25c	\$4 37
Jerry Sheehan, 16 1-2 hours at 25c	4 12
Jerry Sheehan and 1 horse, 26 hours at 50c	13 00
Peter Sheehan, 2 hours at 25c	50
John Brown, 5 1-2 hours at 25c	1 37
John A. Sawyer, 8 hours at 25c	2 00
Wm. H. Farrar and 2 horses, 10 1-2 hours at 75c	7 87
Wm. H. Farrar and 1 horse, 21 hours at 50c	10 50
Wm. H. Farrar, 9 hours at 25c	2 25
J. H. Prouty, 5 1-2 hours at 25c	1 38
B. W. Prouty, 2 hours at 25c	50
John A. Prouty, 6 hours at 25c	1 50
E. L. Loring, 7 hours at 25c	1 75
John Loring, 3 hours at 25c	75
Wilfred C. Bowker, 2 1-2 hours at 25c	63
C. E. Totman, 3 hours at 25c	75
Geo. H. Bates, 9 hours at 25c	2 25
Alpheus Thomas, 6 1-2 hours at 25c	1 63
C. F. Scully, 5 hours at 25c	1 25
Bernard Scully, 5 1-2 hours at 25c	1 37
Chas. Scully, 3 hours at 25c	75
G. A. Bates, 5 1-2 hours at 25c	1 25
William Loring, 4 hours at 25c	1 00
A. W. Thomas, 4 1-2 hours at 25c	1 12
Edward Joyce, 5 hours at 25c	1 25
O. W. Lambert, 5 hours at 25c	1 25
H. F. Mann, 4 hours at 25c	1 00

F. W. Damon, 5 hours at 25c	\$1 25
H. W. Penniman, 4 1-2 hours at 25c	1 12
W. M. Shaw, 2 hours at 25c	50
Marshall Griffin, 8 hours at 25c	2 00
Wm. G. Collamore, 9 hours at 25c	2 25
Geo. Farrar, 3 hours at 25c	75
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	\$75 22

DISTRICT No. 2.

E. E. Jacobs, 14 hours at 25c	\$3 50
E. A. Jacobs and 2 horses, 16 hours at 75c	12 00
George Rix, 6 hours at 25c	1 50
George Rix and 2 horses, 4 hours at 75c	3 00
Benj. Loring and 2 horses, 19 1-2 hours at 75c	14 63
Alpheus Damon, 7 hours at 25c	1 75
Chas. H. Wilder, 7 hours at 25c	1 75
Wallace Damon, 6 1-2 hours at 25c	1 63
Albion Damon, 6 1-2 hours at 25c	1 63
Alden Damon, 6 hours at 25c	1 50
Fred Jones, 6 hours at 25c	1 50
Chas. Curtis, 6 hours at 25c	1 50
Robert Brown, 6 hours at 25c	1 50
Patrick Gammon, 6 hours at 25c	1 50
Andrew Clapp, 4 hours at 25c	1 00
Frank Jones, 7 hours at 25c	1 75
Herbert F. Howard, 2 hours at 25c	50
Henry Main, 2 1-2 hours at 25c	63
Wm. Hayden, 5 hours at 25c	1 25
Joshua Freeman, 4 hours at 25c	1 00
Howard Freeman, 3 3-4 hours at 25c	94
F. B. Corbett, 4 hours at 25c	1 00
Ezekiel Gunderway, 5 hours at 25c	1 25
W. N. Gunderway, 3 3-4 hours at 25c	94
Alonzo Stoddard, 7 hours at 25c	1 75
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	\$60 90

DISTRICT NO. 3.

C. O. Litchfield and 2 horses, 31 hours at 75c	\$23 25
Walter Simmons and 2 horses, 12 hours at 75c	9 00
Walter Simmons and 1 horse, 4 hours at 50c	2 00
Andrew Stockbridge and 1 horse, 4 hours at 50c	2 00
Wallace Hackett, 3 men and 4 horses, 4 hours at \$1.75	7 00
Bert Richardson, 5 1-2 hours at 25c	1 38
Carl Richardson, 5 1-2 hours at 25c	1 38
A. L. Richardson, 2 hours at 25c	50
Frank Richardson, 3 hours at 25c	75
Robert Leavitt, 4 hours at 25c	1 00
Harry Gardner, 5 1-2 hours at 25c	1 38
Henry Munnis, 4 hours at 25c	1 00
Geo. Vinal, 7 hours at 25c	1 75
Henry Leavitt, 4 1-2 hours at 25c	1 13
Lyman Lincoln, 3 1-4 hours at 25c	81
Samuel Olson, 3 1-2 hours at 25c	88
Levy Osborn, 3 1-2 hours at 25c	88
Scot Osborn, 3 1-2 hours at 25c	88
H. Osborn, 3 1-2 hours at 25c	88
Nelson Osborn, 4 1-2 hours at 25c	1 13
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	\$58 98

DISTRICT No. 4.

J. H. Hatch and 2 horses, 25 hours at 75c	\$18 75
J. H. Hatch, 2 horses, 5 1-2 hours at 50c	2 75
J. H. Hatch, 10 hours at 25c	2 50
J. W. Hatch, 12 hours at 25c	3 00
Francis Merritt, 9 hours at 25c	2 25
Percy Merritt, 8 hours at 25c	2 00
Charles F. Studley, 6 hours at 25c	1 50

John F. Wilder, 6 hours at 25c	\$1 50
A. J. Smith, 6 hours at 25c	1 50
Geo. Jenkins, 6 1-2 hours at 25c	1 62
Fred W. Gardner, 3 hours at 25c	75
Fred W. Gardner, 2 horses, 5 1-2 hours at 50c	2 75
Adolph Gardner, 6 1-2 hours at 25c	1 62
C. C. Merritt, 10 hours at 25c	2 50
Ralph Merritt, 10 hours at 25c	2 50
John E. Leslie, 1 hour	25
Jesse Reed, 1 hour	25
Geo. H. Turner, 1 hour	25
Oliver Litchfield, 10 hours at 25c	2 50
Luther Litchfield, 10 hours at 25c	2 50
Richard Litchfield, 10 hours at 12 1-2c,	1 25
Percy Litchfield, 10 hours at 25c	2 50
Samuel Ward, 4 hours at 25c	1 00
Caleb D. Litchfield, 9 hours at 25c	2 25
Harry Brown, 6 hours at 12 1-2c	75
C. H. Kilburn, 9 hours at 25c	2 25
John Bates, 2 1-2 hours at 25c	62
W. L. Briggs, 7 hours at 25c	1 75
Herbert Litchfield, 7 hours at 25c	1 75
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	\$67 36

DISTRICT NO. 5.

Wm. O. Merritt, 11 hours at 25c	\$2 75
Albert Osborn and 2 horses, 22 hours at 75c	16 50
L. F. Hammond and 2 horses, 4 1-2 hours at 75c	3 37
Chas. Hammond, 10 hours at 25c	2 50
W. E. Sexton, 8 hours at 25c	2 00
Geo. W. Barrell, 7 hours at 25c	1 75
Edward Jacobs, 4 hours at 25c	1 00
Harry Merritt, 4 hours at 25c	1 00
Harold Sexton, 3 hours at 12 1-2c	37

Everett Corthell, 6 hours at 25c	\$1 50
Henry Phillips, 1 hour at 25c	25
Ernest H. Sparrell, 6 hours at 25c	1 50
Guy Merritt and 2 horses, 24 hours at 75c	18 00
J. H. Sparrell and 2 horses, 11 hours at 75c	8 25
W. Sears, 3 1-2 hours at 25c	87
James Hayes, 10 1-2 hours at 25c	2 62
E. F. Freeman, 10 1-2 hours at 25c	2 62
Frank Baker, 10 hours at 25c	2 50
Walter Briggs, 3 hours at 25c	75
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	\$70 10

DISTRICT No. 6.

John W. Burns and 2 horses, 20 hours at 75c	\$15 00
John W. Burns, 8 hours at 25c	2 00
Chauncy Litchfield, 12 1-2 hours at 25c	3 13
A Black, 10 hours at 25c	2 50
F. Burns and 2 horses, 9 hours at 75c	6 75
F. Burns, 4 hours at 25c	1 00
E. H. Loring, 5 hours at 25c	1 25
Marshall C. Hatch, 12 1-2 hours at 25c	3 13
J. P. Spellman, 5 hours at 25c	1 25
Seth O. Fitts, 12 hours at 25c	3 00
Chester O. Fitts, 11 hours at 20c	2 20
Harry G. Pinson, 9 hours at 25c	2 25
John F. Hatch, 12 1-2 hours at 25c	3 13
Wm. Monahan, 5 hours at 25c	1 25
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	\$47 84

DISTRICT NO. 7.

F. E. Henderson and 2 horses, 20 hours at 75c	\$15 00
F. E. Henderson and 1 horse, 17 hours at 50c	8 50
Ralph Gardner, 11 hours at 25c	2 75

Allie Rand, 6 hours at 25c	\$1 50
W. R. Smith, 3 hours at 25c	75
Harold Stetson, 6 3-4 hours at 25c	1 69
Fred Smith, 2 hours at 25c	50
Wm. H. Appleford, 9 1-2 hours at 25c	2 38
A. Snowdale, 2 hours at 25c	50
W. Chamberlain, 2 hours at 25c	50
Chas. Smith, 10 hours at 25c	2 50
A. Montgomery, 3 hours at 25c	75
James W. Studley, 2 hours at 25c	50
Robert Smith, 9 1-2 hours at 25c	2 38
R. S. Winslow, 7 hours at 25c	1 75
James Smith, 9 1-2 hours at 25c	2 38
Lenni Dagan, 9 1-2 hours at 25c	2 38
Wm. Latoir, 6 hours at 25c	1 50
J. M. Winslow, 8 hours at 25c	2 00
James Appleford, 6 hours at 25c	1 50
Geo. A. Appleford, 4 hours at 15c	60
C. E. Barnard, 4 hours at 25c	1 00

\$53 31

Amount of appropriation	\$203 08
Total cost of removing snow	433 71

REPORT OF OVERSEERS OF THE POOR.

ALMSHOUSE ACCOUNT.

Articles on hand Jan. 1, 1902		\$339 62
James H. Pinkham, Supt., salary	\$300 00	
James H. Pinkham, cash paid for 2 pigs	8 00	
D. W. Turner & Son, wood	19 75	
F. M. Curtis & Co., supplies	133 77	
A. J. Litchfield & Son, supplies	105 84	
A. J. Litchfield & Son, grain	157 56	
C. W. & E. H. Sparrell, burial of Nancy Smith	25 00	
H. S. Turner & Co., supplies	70 84	
L. F. Sanderson, digging grave for Nancy Smith	4 00	
A. A. Page, fish, etc.	17 21	
Geo. F. Welch, coal and oil cloth	49 95	
Turner Bros., seeds	1 85	
Frank Thomas, use of stock	1 00	
John Monahan, dry goods	24 39	
W. W. Cutler, supplies	62 83	
Ames Plow Co., mowing machine	33 00	
L. F. Hammond, use of stock	2 00	
W. F. Burrell, shoes	2 75	
Samuel Olson, fish etc.	9 47	
Geo. F. Welch, lime	55	
Geo. H. Turner, fertilizer	17 00	
Phillips, Bates & Co., coal	62 50	
Warren Foster, watching with an inmate	2 50	
L. W. Orcutt, clothing	3 15	
C. A. Berry, fertilizer	22 90	

H. J. Little, medical attendance	\$7 00	
John A. Loring, pump	19 22	
C. W. Tilden, smithwork	12 55	
James Pinkham, articles bought for cash	124 78	
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Total	-	\$1,640 98

ALMSHOUSE RECEIPTS.

Cash on hand	\$4 12	
116 lbs. of pork	8 70	
Fresh pork	1 25	
Junk	1 52	
Summer vegetables	6 40	
Conveying Mary Gardner	50	
Mowing for Amos Tilden	1 50	
Barrels	2 40	
Meals for insane man	1 00	
Prizes on vegetables at Marshfield Fair	5 00	
Bread and flour prizes at Marshfield Fair	1 75	
Carrots	57 29	
Potatoes	24 88	
Milk	61 27	
Eggs	15 11	
Fowl	18 10	
Mowing for Geo. W. Griggs	3 75	
1-2 hog and 2 calves	25 23	
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		\$239 77

ARTICLES ON HAND, DECEMBER 31, 1902.

2 hogs	\$30 00
1 horse	40 00

2 cows	75 00
60 fowl	30 00
Manure	20 00
6 tons of hay	108 00
Lumber	10 00
Potatoes	35 00
Mangles	10 00
Onions	3 50
Turnips	2 00
Pumpkins	2 00
Colored beans	3 00
Crackers	1 00
Flour	1 50
Groceries	7 00
1-2 ton corn stalks	5 00
Shingles	75
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	\$383 75

SUMMARY OF ALMSHOUSE ACCOUNTS.

Total expenditure	\$1,640 98
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ALMSHOUSE CREDITS.

Articles sold	\$239 77
Articles on hand Dec. 31, 1902	383 75
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	\$623 52
Total cost of Almshouse, including 66 tramps	\$1,017 46

OUT-DOOR POOR.

EDWIN C. LITCHFIELD'S CHILDREN.

Town of Weymouth, aid	\$127 68	
Town of Whitman, aid	27 55	
Mrs. Josephine Grant, aid	80 00	
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OSCAR SYLVESTER.

A. J. Litchfield & Son, shoes	\$1 20	
Cora J. Prince, board	23 85	
Mary Phillips, board	4 29	
Diana Pierce, board	4 50	
J. E. Folsom, clothing	4 00	
Town of Hanover, aid	2 00	
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MRS. NELLIE T. HUNT.

Town of Whitman, aid	\$3 88	
Nahum Reed, supplies	4 00	
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BRIDGET SHEA.

State Treasurer	\$146 00
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BELLA FREEMAN.

Worcester Insane Asylum	\$169 46
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FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

LIABILITIES.

Notes in favor of South Scituate Savings Bank,	\$10,500 00
Notes in favor of Coffin Poor Fund,	2,000 00
Notes in favor of A. T. Otis Poor Fund,	1,300 00

ASSETS.

Due from—

State for state aid,	\$1,825 00
State for aid to poor,	4 00
State for soldiers' burial,	70 00
Marshfield for soldiers' relief,	102 50
Cohasset for aid to poor,	40 58
Duxbury for aid to poor,	72 50
Scituate for aid to poor,	23 95
Holbrook for aid to poor,	104 00
Hull for aid to poor,	3 50
Scituate for lumber,	13 92
State for inspection of cattle,	33 01
Granderson mortgage,	150 00
John F. Osborn, board of wife,	254 70
Corporation and bank taxes, estimated,	175 00
Outstanding tax of 1894,	10 66
Cash in hand of treasurer,	1,433 29

LIST OF JURORS.

A list of persons qualified to serve as jurors to be presented to the town for acceptance or revision :

Clifton S. Dean,	Teacher.
James L. Litchfield,	Farmer.
Walter T. Osborn	
Orlando H. Lake,	Farmer.
William S. Simmons,	Miller.
Edwin C. Briggs,	Farmer.
Charles D. Barnard,	Harnessmaker.
Joseph C. Otis,	Clerk.
Wallace M. Shaw,	Farmer.
John Corthell,	Butcher.
Henry J. Tolman,	Carpenter.
Joseph H. Hatch,	Farmer.
Henry F. Ford,	Trader.
Asa W. Robinson,	Shoemaker.
George W. Curtis,	Trader.
James E. Stodard,	Shoemaker.
Arthur F. Stoddard,	Cutter.
James H. Studley,	Shoemaker.
Jesse Reed,	Farmer.
James H. Pinkham,	Storekeeper.
Edward E. Jacobs,	Farmer.
George S. Corthell,	Butcher.
George B. Ellms,	Farmer.
Andrew S. Richardson,	Farmer.
David Bassford,	Carpenter.
Edwin M. Sexton,	Farmer.
Nathan S. Turner,	Farmer.
Charles H. Wilder,	Butcher.

MARY ANN GARDNER.

John S. Brooks, supplies	\$49 06	
H. J. Little, medical attendance	53 50	
	<hr/>	\$102 56

MARY AGNES GARDNER.

A. L. MacMillan, medical attendance	\$3 50	
Taunton Hospital, board	78 46	
	<hr/>	\$81 96

JAMES COSTELLO.

F. M. Curtis & Co., supplies	\$75 00
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ELMIRA TILDEN.

Mary A. Litchfield, board	\$8 00
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EVELYN G. CROMWELL.

H. J. Little, medical attendance	\$5 50	
C. W. & E. H. Sparrell, burial of child	12 00	
	<hr/>	\$17 50

HENRY W. WINSLOW.

H. J. Little, medical attendance	\$67 00
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MANDANA FREEMAN.

Town of Hanover, aid	\$7 50	
Total	<hr/>	\$1,629 34

AID TO PERSONS HAVING SETTLEMENT IN OTHER CITIES AND TOWNS.

LUKE HUFF, ROCKLAND.

Everett N. Mann, care	\$3 50	
C. A. Dorr, medical attendance	4 50	
Alpheus Thomas, care and expense	3 30	
C. W. & E. H. Sparrell, burial	25 00	
	<hr/>	\$36 30

WM. H. SEARS, PLYMOUTH.

F. M. Curtis & Co., supplies	\$4 00	
H. J. Little, medical attendance	24 00	
	<hr/>	\$28 00

CHESTER TAYLOR, SCITUATE.

H. S. Turner & Co., supplies	\$61 90	
Torrey & Baker, clothing	5 00	
John Monahan, goods	1 90	
L. W. Orcutt, clothing	12 25	
H. J. Little, medical attendance	4 00	
	<hr/>	\$85 05

BERNARD RANDALL, DUXBURY.

H. S. Turner & Co., supplies	\$2 00	
F. M. Curtis & Co, supplies	5 00	
H. J. Little, medical attendance	5 00	
	<hr/>	\$12 00

J. W. CHAMBERLAIN, HOLBROOK.

M. Little, supplies	\$104 00
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ELWIN WHITING, HANOVER.

Linscott & Bryant, supplies	\$17 16
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CHARLES E. MCPHERSON, CANTON.

Cash, aid	\$11 71	
A. J. Litchfield & Son, supplies	67 30	
H. J. Little, medical attendance	19 75	
	<hr/>	\$98 76

WM. E. PRINCE, HINGHAM.

Alonzo C. Sylvester, board	\$4 00	
W. L. Grovestein, medical attendance	17 50	
	<hr/>	\$21 50

FRED CORBETT, HANOVER.

H. J. Little, medical attendance	\$15 00
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LEVI L. PIERCE, HANSON.

Cash, aid	\$5 00
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GEORGE W. DYER, BOSTON.

H. S. Turner & Co., supplies	\$5 00
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George W. Griggs, cash paid out	\$4 75	
H. J. Little, medical attendance	<u>2 00</u>	
		<u>\$11 75</u>
Total		\$434 52

SUMMARY OF POOR ACCOUNT.

Total amount paid for out-door poor	\$2,063 80	
Net cost of poor at Almshouse	<u>1,017 46</u>	
		\$3,081 26
Less amount refunded by towns		<u>\$434 52</u>
		\$2,646 74

GEORGE W. GRIGGS,
 ALPHEUS THOMAS,
 HENRY D. SMITH,
 Overseers of the Poor.

SOLDIERS' RELIEF.

Paid—

Joanna Keene, town of Hanover, rent	
1 1-2 years	\$75 00
E. A. Bowker, supplies	4 00
A. L. MacMillan, M. D., attendance	22 25
C. L. Howes, M. D., attendance	5 00
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	\$106 25

SOLDIERS' RELIEF.

TO PERSONS HAVING A SETTLEMENT IN OTHER TOWNS.

Lyman B. Fitts, Marshfield	\$90 00
Benjamin K. Barrett, Whitman	76 50
R. S. Gurney, Dana	4 50
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	\$171 00

STATE AID PAID IN 1902.

Charles D. Barnard	\$48 00
David Bassford	48 00
Amanda Bassford	48 00
Lorenzo Bates	54 00
B. K. Barrett	72 00

John Chadwick	\$16 00
Amanda Coleman	48 00
Abbie F. Coleman	24 00
Martha W. Curtis	12 00
Timothy B. Chapman	60 00
John Corthell	48 00
Josephine Corthell	48 00
Josiah W. Chamberlin	72 00
Maria B. Damon	48 00
Hannah Dover	24 00
Ensign B. Damon	48 00
Lucy Damon	36 00
Charles David	72 00
Daniel R. Ewell	72 00
Seth O. Fitts	60 00
Lyman B. Fitts	72 00
Reuben S. Gurney	72 00
L. W. Grose	12 00
John T. Hatch	60 00
Sarah Hatch	48 00
George A. Hatch	60 00
Susan H. Highbee	48 00
John H. Howard	48 00
Wm. A. Knight	54 00
Bradford Little	48 00
C. M. Leavitt	48 00
Wm. H. Morse	48 00
Wm. O. Merritt	48 00
Diana Pierce	24 00
Wm. H. Rand	15 00
Harriet Raymond	48 00
David P. Robinson	36 00
Mary Shepherd	48 00
Edwin Studley	48 00
Frank W. Slason	48 00
Charles H. Totman	48 00
George O. Torrey	72 00

George T. Tolman	\$35 00
James W. Warner	36 00
James H. Williams	72 00
Albert Winslow	48 00
Esther M. Young	48 00

Approved by the Commissioners, and due
from the State

\$2,250 00

TOWN OFFICERS.

A. J. Litchfield, tax collector	\$225 00
F. E. Henderson, fire warden, 2 years	10 00
J. C. Otis, recording deaths	16 80
J. C. Otis, registrar of voters	10 00
Henry A. Turner, board of health	2 00
H. J. Little, services to board of health	1 50
George W. Griggs, services as selectman, overseer of the poor and assessor	140 00
Alpheus Thomas, services as selectman, overseer of the poor and assessor	125 00
Henry D. Smith, services as selectman, overseer of the poor and assessor	125 00
Alpheus Thomas, car fare	1 00
George Cushing, services as auditor	20 00
Charles Simmons, services as fire warden, 1901	5 00
M. L. F. Power, services as school committee	27 68
John Corthell, tree warden	10 00
E. E. Stetson, services as registrar of voters	15 00
E. M. Sexton, services as registrar of voters	15 00
J. F. Merritt, services as registrar of voters	10 00
C. A. Berry, services as registrar of voters	15 00
Mary E. Curtis, school committee	60 00
Israel Hatch, servives as school committee	40 42
Benj. Loring, services as school committee	57 50

Horace T. Fogg, treasurer	\$100 00
J. W. Foster, notifying town officers	3 50
J. W. Foster, inspection of animals	29 50
J. W. Foster, truant officer	1 00
John Whalen, election officer	2 50
Charles Scully, election officer	2 50
J. F. Merritt, services as town clerk	25 20
W. D. Turner, services as fire warden	3 25
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	\$1,099 35

TOWN HALL.

F. M. Curtis & Co., oil	55
F. H. Kidder, nailing clapboards	2 80
H. T. Fogg, insurance	22 50
Fred J. Croning, janitor	25 00
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	\$50 85

PAINTING TOWN HALL.

C. J. Harriman, per contract	\$115 00
C. J. Harriman, inside sashes, blinds, etc.	35 00
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	\$150 00
Appropriation	\$150 00

REPORT OF TREE WARDEN.

Appropriation	\$50 00
John Corthell, services	\$41 60

G. T. Sylvester, trees	\$5 00
Chas. H. Lapham, labor, 1901	8 97
Wm. T. Lapham, labor, 1901	<u>1 00</u>

\$56 57

TOWN CEMETERY.

J. H. Sawyer, labor	\$3 00
C. H. Lapham, 43 hours at 20c	8 60
C. H. Lapham, one horse 8 hours at 16 2-3c	1 32
E. C. Briggs, scraping	4 00
John W. Brown, 26 hours at 20c	5 20
E. L. Loring, 9 hours at 20c	1 80
James L. Prouty, 17 hours at 20c	<u>3 40</u>

\$27 32

Received from sale of lots, \$30 00

REPAIRS ON GUIDE BOARDS.

Appropriation	\$100 00
Paid—	
T. C. Sampson, for posts	\$5 50
F. H. Kidder, labor	16 10
John S. Gardner, labor	<u>70 00</u>

\$91 60

The street signs and necessary guide boards are now in good condition throughout the town.

UNION BRIDGE.

Paid—

Town of Marshfield, balance due H. L.	
House	\$1 00
Town of Marshfield, care of bridge to	
Dec. 31, 1902	6 95
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	\$7 95

TOWN INCIDENTALS.

A. J. Litchfield, cash paid for stamps, etc.	\$14 90
A. J. Litchfield & Son, stationery	1 10
James Montgomery, watching fire	1 00
Wm. Randall, watching fire	2 00
Ellery F. Ainsley, watching fire	2 00
John F. Wilder, watching fire	2 00
Joseph Frame, returning births	75
Geo. E. Mansfield, returning deaths	25
F. M. Curtis, stamps, etc.	12 38
Free Press Publishing Co., warrants	4 00
Free Press Publishing Co., town reports	82 00
F. M. Curtis, stationery	5 17
Geo. W. Rix, moving town clerk's safe	5 00
Carrie M. Ford, printing, etc.	12 00
C. L. Homes, returning births	1 00
Wakefield Daily Item, assessors' notices	1 00
Chas. Smith, labor at Churchill fire	1 10
Arthur Snowdale, labor at Churchill fire	80
J. W. Winslow, labor at Churchill fire	1 40
Geo. Lee, labor at Churchill fire	60
Edgar Lee, labor at Churchill fire	60
James W. Studley, labor at Churchill fire	80
Warren B. Wrightington, labor at Churchill fire	2 00
Robert McKee, labor at Churchill fire	1 60

W. L. Chamberlain, labor at Churchill fire	\$2 80
Wm. R. Smith, labor at Churchill fire	2 60
A. B. Conant, labor at Churchill fire	2 10
Bradford P. Stetson, labor at Churchill fire	2 70
Howard Packard, labor at Churchill fire	80
Robert Henderson, labor at Churchill fire	2 80
John S. Barber, plow at Churchill fire	5 00
L. Leech, labor at Churchill fire	1 40
F. H. Waterman, labor at Churchill fire	1 20
Wakefield Daily Item, dog license blanks	2 50
Beal & McCarthy, tuning piano	2 25
Jas. A. Wallace, repairing water trough	1 00
Henry D. Smith, labor on Delano Hill water system	75
Thomas Groom & Co., assessors and order books	16 50
H. E. Stetson, watching fire	2 00
Wm. O. Merritt, burying dog	2 00
Helen L. Fogg, rent of vault	8 00
H. T. Fogg, cash book and postage	4 69
W. H. Spencer, labor on pump, District No. 2	1 75
H. J. Little, returning births	1 50
Ed. Freeman, burying dog	1 00
Scituate, tax on town flats	6 23
Pembroke, seeding ponds	7 65
Carter Ink Co., ink	50
A. L. MacMillan, vaccination of school children	13 00
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	\$248 17

RECAPITULATION.

Taxes abated	\$96 47
Highway expenditures	2,512 23
Snow expenditures	433 71
Town officers	1,099 35
Town hall	50 85

Painting town hall	\$150 00
Tree warden	56 57
Town incidentals	248 17
Cemetery	27 32
Guide boards	91 60
Union bridge	7 95
Almshouse expenses	1,640 98
Aid to out-door poor	2,063 80
Soldiers' relief	277 25
State aid	2,250 00
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	\$11,006 25

CREDITS :

Refunded by towns	\$434 52
Almshouse credits	623 52
State aid	2,250 00
Soldiers' relief	171 00
Cattle inspection, due from State	14 75
Cemetery sale of lots	30 00
Use of road roller	10 00
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	\$3,533 79
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	\$7,472 46

NORWELL, Jan. 20, 1903.

I have examined the accounts of the Selectmen, Collector and Treasurer and find them correctly cast and proper vouchers for all payments made.

GEO. CUSHING,
Auditor.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

LIABILITIES.

Notes in favor of South Scituate Savings Bank	\$5,500 00
Notes in favor of the Coffin fund	2,000 00
Notes in favor of the Otis fund	1,300 00

ASSETS.

Due from—	
State for state aid	\$2,250 00
Towns for aid to poor	434 52
Towns for soldiers' relief	171 00
State for inspection of cattle	14 75
Corporation and bank tax claim	300 28
Outstanding tax of 1894	10 66
John F. Osborn, board of wife	254 70
Cash in hands of treasurer	2,761 00

LIST OF JURORS.

A list of persons qualified to serve as jurors to be presented to the town for acceptance or revision :

Henry F. Ford,	Trader.
James E. Stoddard,	Shoemaker.
Edwin W. Sexton,	Farmer.
Andrew S. Richardson,	Farmer.
Seth Foster,	Retired.
Joseph C. Otis,	Retired.
Fred S. Farrar,	Farmer.
Edwin A. Turner,	Hotel Keeper.
James B. Knapp,	Farmer.
Henry J. Tolman,	Carpenter.
William H. Appleford,	Clerk.
Arthur C. Jones,	Shoestitcher.
George W. Jones,	Shoemaker.
Seth O. Fitts,	Farmer.
Joseph H. Hatch,	Farmer.
L. Frank Hammond,	Farmer.
Wallace H. Damon,	Farmer.
Clifton S. Dean,	Teacher.
James L. Litchfield,	Farmer.
Charles D. Barnard,	Harnessmaker.
Arthur T. Stoddard,	Shoecutter.
Willard Torrey,	Retired.
Josiah W. Chamberlain,	Shoemaker.
Frank M. Vining,	Shoemaker.
George F. Cate,	Farmer.

TWENTY-FIFTH ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

TRUSTEES OF THE COFFIN POOR FUND.

Amount of fund		\$2,000 00
Loaned on town note at 4 per cent.		
On hand Jan. 1, 1902	\$132 63	
Interest on bank book	3 26	
Interest on town note	80 00	
	<hr/>	\$215 89
Paid care of cemetery lot	\$5 00	
Worthy poor	75 00	
On hand Jan. 1, 1903	135 89	
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SEVENTEENTH ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

TRUSTEES OF THE A. T. OTIS POOR FUND.

Amount of fund		\$2,000 00
Loaned on town note	\$1,300 00	
Deposited in Savings Bank	700 00	
	<hr/>	2,000 00
On hand Jan. 1, 1902	\$131 66	
Interest on mortgage	4 75	
Interest on bank book	25 78	
Interest on town note	52 00	
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Paid—		
Inmates of Almshouse	\$28 00	
Worthy poor	46 42	
Expenses on mortgage	4 80	
On hand Jan. 1, 1903	134 97	
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		\$214 19

Your trustees are pleased to say that the mortgage on property in Alabama has been paid in full, and as will be seen by the above financial report the money is now in the Savings Bank.

FIFTH ANNUAL REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES
OF THE
NANCY HERSEY CEMETERY FUND.

Amount of fund on deposit Jan. 1, 1902	\$100 00	
Interest on deposit Jan. 1, 1902	10 00	
Interest on bank book	4 44	
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		\$114 44
Paid for care of lot	\$3 00	
Interest on deposit Jan. 1, 1903	11 44	
Fund on deposit Jan. 1, 1903	100 00	
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		\$114 44

THIRD ANNUAL REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES

OF THE

BETSEY B. TOLMAN CEMETERY FUND

Amount of fund	\$100 00	
Interest on deposit Jan. 1, 1902	04	
Interest on bank book	4 04	
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Paid for care of lot	\$4 08	
Fund on deposit Jan. 1, 1903	100 00	
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EIGHTH ANNUAL REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES

OF THE

PRUDENCE C. DELANO TOMB FUND.

Amount of fund	\$300 00	
Interest on deposit Jan. 1, 1902	40 63	
Interest on bank book	13 74	
	<hr/>	\$354 37
Paid for care of lot	\$5 00	
Interest on deposit Jan. 1, 1903	49 37	
Fund on deposit Jan. 1, 1903	300 00	
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FIFTEENTH ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

TRUSTEES OF THE JOSSELYN CEMETERY FUND

Amount of fund	\$200 00	
Interest on deposit Jan. 1, 1902	35 88	
Interest on bank book	9 50	
	<hr/>	\$245 38
Paid for care of lot	\$8 00	
Interest on deposit Jan. 1, 1903	37 38	
Fund	200 00	
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ELEVENTH ANNUAL REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES

OF THE

SAMUEL C. CUDWORTH CEMETERY FUND.

Amount of fund	\$200 00	
Interest on deposit January 1st, 1902	10 42	
Interest on bank book	8 48	
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Paid for care of lot	\$4 00	
Interest on deposit Jan. 1st, 1903	14 90	
Fund	\$200 00	
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SEVENTEENTH ANNUAL REPORT OF TRUSTEES

OF THE

A. T. OTIS CEMETERY AND TOMB FUND.

Amount of fund	\$1,500 00	
Interest on deposit Jan. 1st, 1902	256 90	
Interest on bank book	70 94	
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Paid for care of lots	\$33 90	
Interest on deposit Jan. 1st, 1903	293 94	
Fund	1,5000 00	
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GEO. W. GRIGGS,
ALPHEUS THOMAS,
HENRY D. SMITH,
Trustees.

CITIZENS' CAUCUS.

The citizens of the Town of Norwell are requested to meet at the Town Hall, Norwell, on Friday evening, February 20th, 1903, at 8 o'clock, to nominate town officers for the ensuing year, and to transact any other business that may properly come before them.

PER ORDER OF THE SELECTMEN.

ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

SCHOOL COMMITTEE

OF THE

TOWN OF NORWELL

FOR THE

FOR THE YEAR 1902.

ROCKLAND:
ROCKLAND STANDARD PRINT.
1903.

REPORT OF THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

To the Citizens of Norwell:

At the annual town meeting in March, 1902, Mrs. Mary E. Curtis was elected a member of the School Committee for a term of three years. The committee organized with Mr. Loring, chairman, Mrs. Mary E. Curtis, secretary.

SUPERVISION.

We consider ourselves fortunate in being able to retain the services of our efficient Superintendent, Mr. C. A. Record. The progress which our schools are making under his care is gratifying to the Committee and must be equally so to the parents and all others interested in educational matters.

BUILDINGS.

During the summer vacation we had all the buildings repaired in as thorough a manner as possible with the means we had at hand, but still much remains to be done. To keep six buildings, or nine rooms, in repair, with the small amount allowed us is almost an impossibility. If all the schools, or at least the majority of them, were under one roof how much money would be saved in repairs at least.

The outbuildings in Dist. No. 1, which were in very bad condition, have been repaired and will probably do good service for some years, but the time is not far distant when a new outbuilding for that district will be a necessity.

The school house in Dist. No. 4 has been painted, as was recommended in last year's report, and by removing the

window in the front of the building (which for years in spite of our best endeavors has been an unsightly object) the appearance has been greatly improved. The fence at the east side of this building must be rebuilt this year, as it is now but an apology for a fence. The yard in Dist. No. 5 ought to be graded, or if this is not done, some work must be done directly around the building, as it is now so badly washed that the underpinning is becoming loosened. As it has been the custom for several years to put new slate blackboards in some one building, this year the choice fell to No. 5, where two were added. A new fence has replaced the tumble-down one in Dist. No. 6. After the High School building had been painted on the outside, the Selectmen, finding that they had some money left from that appropriation, united with the Committee in painting the inside and tinting the walls, a much needed improvement.

TEACHERS.

But two changes have been made in our corps of teachers during the year. Mr. A. G. Catheron, who had served as principal of our High School for two years, resigned at the end of the school year. His successor, Mr. John A. Hunnewell, is a graduate of Bates College and has had previous experience in teaching. His work thus far has been very satisfactory.

Miss Heinrich, who had taught successfully in Dist. No. 4, sent in her resignation in June, as she had decided to continue her studies in Germany. Miss Mary A. Schenck was chosen to fill the vacancy, she having previously taught for a short time in one of our schools and is giving now, as she did then, general satisfaction.

Our teachers have had the privilege during the year of attending the County Convention, also the Teacher's Institute given by the State Board of Education. While these two sessions necessitate closing our schools for a day at a

time, yet the benefits derived by the teachers more than compensate for the loss of time. On the afternoon of May 29, all the schools, with the exception of Dist. No. 1, united in holding Memorial services in the Unitarian Church, to which the public was invited. These exercises proved so much more enjoyable than the exercises held in the separate school houses, that it is proposed to hold them every year.

TRANSPORTATION.

At the annual town meeting, it was voted to again transport the pupils. Mr. Wm. T. Lapham, who had been employed during the winter term to transport the pupils from No. 2 to the Primary and Grammar schools in No. 5 was given the contract for one year.

As the time was so short before the schools were to open for the spring term, it was decided to allow each pupil requiring transportation in Dists. 1, 3, 4, 5, 6 and 7, a certain sum per week and some of the older scholars, who had teams, carried those who had none and thus we managed until the summer vacation.

At the beginning of the fall term, Mr. James L. Litchfield was given the contract to transport the pupils from Nos. 4, 5 and 6 to the Grammar and High Schools. By the employment of Mr. Litchfield in this capacity, we have succeeded in providing transportation for some of our pupils who have never before been able to attend the schools of this town. Mrs. E. L. Loring still continues to transport the pupils from No. 3 to No. 5 and such of the High School pupils who desired transportation. Mr. E. E. Stetson took the contract to transport the pupils in Dist. No. 7 to the High School.

Mr. L. Frank Hammond, by his contract, goes to Ridge Hill, taking on his way up all those pupils who attend in Dist. No. 1 and bringing back the High School pupils, thus accommodating quite a large number of children.

We believe that the transportation system has proved a success this year, and that it will continue.

We employ only careful drivers, who are cautioned to report any unbecoming conduct or language, and we have made it a rule that anyone not behaving in a proper manner will be allowed the privilege of walking. We are happy to say that as yet we have not had to enforce this rule.

OUR SCHOOLS.

By the closing of the schools in Dists. 2 and 3, the consolidation of our schools began, now let us continue the good work.

Let us get our Grammar Schools together, and with our High School, have one good building which will accommodate the three. All the Grammar pupils from Nos. 1, 5 and 7 would only make two common sized schools, under two teachers, while we now employ three. We claim that very much better work is done, more interest is shown, where there are forty pupils than where there are fourteen. You will agree with us that with numbers there is enthusiasm. You can't enjoy your pleasures, even, alone. Neither can a child enjoy or enthuse over a subject with only one beside himself in the class. With our transportation system, consolidation is easy and is THE only thing for our schools. Build an addition to the present High School building and and put in one good heating plant. We have seats enough and blackboards enough to furnish two rooms, so the cost would not be very great while the advantage gained by such an arrangement would be inestimable and would place the Norwell schools more nearly on a plane with those of surrounding towns. Twice during the year we have been obliged to close some of our schools because of an epidemic of measles, otherwise, thanks to the barge system, the attendance has been good.

But still we would urge upon parents the necessity of sending their children to school, sending them every day; do not let trifles keep them away, they cannot afford to miss ONE

day. Just think of the advantages which they enjoy, and impress it on their minds that their school days, the days of their youth, will soon pass, never to return.

Teach your children to take care of the school property, the buildings, the books, the grounds. You would not allow them to break YOUR windows or door latches, to whittle or write on your woodwork, to tear or soil your books, or to throw refuse on your lawns. We believe that much of the expense of the minor repairs about the schoolbuildings might be avoided if children were taught to be more careful.

Let us all endeavor by our united efforts to make the Norwell schools the best in the county and her children the best in the state.

Respectfully submitted,

BENJAMIN LORING,

ISRAEL HATCH,

MARY E. CURTIS.

School Committee of Norwell.

EXPENDITURES CHARGEABLE TO THE APPROPRIATION.

FOR WINTER TERM OF TEN WEEKS, 1902, BUT CHARGE-
ABLE TO APPROPRIATION OF 1901.

TEACHERS' SALARIES.

Allison G. Catheron	\$250 00	
Mattie S. Wilder	105 00	
A. Gertrude Jones	35 00	
Adella F. Nichols	90 00	
Sarah F. Richardson	80 00	
Desdemona Heinrich	80 00	
Louise E. Ford	90 00	
Martha C. Scully	90 00	
Marion G. Merritt	90 00	
Sophia M. Buttrick	90 00	
Maria W. Tolman	90 00	
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		\$1,090 00

SUPERVISION.

C. A. Record	\$150 00
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TRANSPORTATION.

Wm. F. Lapham	\$100 00	
Mrs. E. L. Loring	79 08	
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		\$179 08

CARE OF ROOMS.

Clarence Joseph, No. 4, fall term, 1901	\$2 00
Mabel Munnis, No. 4, fall term, 1901	1 00
Harry Ainslie, No. 4, fall term, 1901	2 00
Lena Leslie, No. 4, fall term, 1901	1 00
E. W. French, No. 5, winter term, 1902	15 00
Lena Leslie, No. 4, winter term,	2 00
Chester O. Fitts, No. 6, fall and winter terms	8 00
Peter J. Sheehan, No. 1, winter term	10 00
Wm. C. Tolman, No. 7, winter term	3 00
Minnie M. Smith, No. 7, winter term	1 50
Mary E. Winslow, No. 7, winter term	1 50
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	\$47 00
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	\$1,466 08

EXPENDITURES CHARGEABLE TO THE
APPROPRIATION.

FOR SPRING AND FALL TERMS, 1902.

TEACHERS' SALARIES.

A. G. Catheron, Principal of High School	\$300 00
John A. Hunnewell, Principal of High School	320 00
Mattie S. Wilder, Asst. Principal of High School	294 00
A. Gertrude Jones, drawing teacher	90 00
Adela F. Nichols, District No. 1, Grammar	252 00

Sarah F. Richardson, District No. 1,	
Primary	\$240 00
Desdemona Heinrich, District No. 4,	
Mixed	96 00
Mary A. Schenck, District No. 4,	
Mixed	128 00
Martha C. Scully, District No. 5,	
Grammar	252 00
Marian G. Merritt, District No. 5,	
Primary	252 00
Louise E. Eord, District No. 6, Primary	252 00
Sophia M. Buttrick, District No. 7,	
Grammar	252 00
Maria Tolman, District No. 7, Primary	252 00
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	\$2,980 00

CARE OF ROOMS.

Fred J. Croning, High School	\$125 00
Edwin W. French, District No. 5	42 00
Peter J. Sheehan, Dist. No. 1	10 00
Mary E. Winslow, Dist. No. 7	3 00
Chester O. Fitts, Dist. No. 6	8 00
William C. Tolman, Dist. No. 7	3 00
Lena Leslie, Dist. No. 4	2 00
Vincent Harriman, Dist. No. 1	10 00
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	\$203 00

FUEL AND FITTING.

Seth O. Fitts, wood and fitting	\$3 00
Geo. F. Welch, coal	47 93
Benj. Loring, wood and moving wood	7 50
Fred J. Croning, fitting wood	5 00

Thomas C. Sampson, wood	\$32 00	
John H. Prouty, wood	30 00	
Charles H. Totman, fitting wood	12 00	
John Whalen, wood	62 72	
John Whalen, wood	7 13	
Henry C. Ford, sawing wood	22 80	
Colin Jordan, housing wood	4 00	
Ralph D. Merritt, housing wood	1 50	
Phillips, Bates & Co., coal	15 50	
Jesse M. Winslow, fitting and housing	10 50	
Charles H. Totman, work on wood	10 67	
F. E. Henderson, moving wood	1 50	
John Whalen, moving wood	6 25	
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		\$280 00
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		\$3,463 00

SUPERINTENDENT.

Received from state	\$250 00	
Town appropriation	250 00	
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		\$500 00
Paid C. A. Record		350 00
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		\$150 00

TRANSPORTATION.

Paid—	
Mrs. E. L. Loring, to March 14, 1902	\$79 08
Wm. T. Lapham, to March 14, 1902	100 00
John W. Burns,	39 50

Mrs. E. L. Loring	\$255 06
J. C. Durnin	12 50
Fred B. Osborn	54 00
Wm. T. Lapham	200 00
Tilon Williams	28 00
Stacy G. Benson	30 00
Ezra E. Stetson	99 50
James L. Litchfield	128 00
L. Frank Hammond	150 00
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	\$1,175 64

MASSACHUSETTS STATE SCHOOL FUND.

Received from state	\$917 44
Unexpended balance from last year	283 86
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	\$1,201 30
Expense of transportation to Jan., 1903	1,175 64
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	\$25 66

AVAILABLE FUNDS FOR PRESENT YEAR.

Town appropriation	\$3,755 01
Dog tax	305 88
State Board Lunacy and Charity	47 50
Received from state on account of teachers' salaries	166 66
State school fund (bal.)	25 66
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	\$4,300 71
Amount expended	3,463 00
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	\$837 71
Expenses to April (estimated)	1,584 04
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Deficit	\$746 33

BOOKS AND SUPPLIES.

E. E. Babb & Co.	\$186 39
P. P. Caproni & Bro.	3 00
D. C. Heath & Co.	1 40
Kenney Bros. & Wolkins	11 10
Allison G. Catheron	6 00
Allyn & Bacon	10 00
Geo. F. King & Co.	27 55
Ginn & Co.	25 29
Samuel Ward Co.	8 25
C. H. Lovell	11 20
J. L. Hammett Co.	38 65
Oliver Ditson Co.	95
Bemis Pub. Co.	3 96
Leavenworth & Myer	54 20
American Book Co.	9 18
Wadsworth, Howland & Co.	2 70

\$399 82

CLEANING SCHOOLHOUSES.

Fred J. Croning, High School (1901, 1902)	\$17 00
Mary A. Osborne, Nos. 4 and 5	15 00
Seth O. Fitts, No. 6	6 00
Eva L. Winslow, No. 7	9 75
Annie F. Scully, No. 1	12 00

\$59 75

REPAIRS AND INCIDENTALS.

A. J. Litchfield & Son, supplies (1901)	\$8 04
John Whalen, labor at No. 4	4 50
Free Press Pub. Co., circulars	1 50
Benj. Loring, taking census (1901)	10 00
W. H. Spencer, labor on stoves and pumps and new materials furnished	32 85
Seth O. Fitts, labor at No. 6	7 50
W. S. Simmons, labor at No. 7	1 50
Alvin T. Baker, stone work at No. 1	25 00
Daniel W. Ross, labor and materials at Nos. 5 and 6	9 35
C. L. Rice & Co., matting for High School	22 72
Frank A. Prouty, materials and labor at No. 1	38 61
W. A. G. Smith, mending clock	1 00
Carrie M. Ford, stationery and printing	17 00
Francis E. Henderson, labor at No. 7	1 75
Phillips, Bates & Co., mdse. to the several schoolhouses	51 50
F. M. Curtis & Co., supplies	9 53
Patrick McNicol, labor	5 00
Hedge & Hall, supplies (1901)	1 48
John A. Loring, materials and labor on stoves	10 71
John A. Loring, materials and labor on pump, No. 7	25 40
E. W. French, labor at No. 5	1 50
H. S. Merritt, labor at No. 5	1 33
C. C. Merritt, water supply at No. 4	4 00
Mary E. Curtis, postage	2 32
Thomas Barstow, labor and materials at No. 7	8 45
Melvin Little, supplies	2 98
Mary L. F. Power, postage and tele- phone, 1901	2 68

Wm. O. Merritt, labor at No. 5	8 42
Floretta Vining, printing, 1901	4 50
B. H. Irving, printing report cards	2 50
Benj. Loring, post and rails for fence at No. 6	11 25
Maria W. Tolman, supplies	1 75
F. M. Curtis & Co., floor wax and express- ing	1 15
Hayden Costume Co., costumes	3 75
N. Y. & Boston Des. Ex., expressing 1901 and 1902	12 00
Anthony J. Smith, painting flag pole on town hall	5 00
Cassius C. Merritt, labor and materials at No. 4	7 50
Geo. F. Welch, supplies for school houses	20 83
Brown & Lehan, painting and glazing	57 25
Levi N. Osborn, mason work and materials	70 60
C. J. Harriman, painting at town hall	20 00

NORWELL, Jan. 17, 1903.

I have examined the accounts of the School Committee and find vouchers for all amounts paid.

GEORGE CUSHING, Auditor.

REPORT OF SUPERINTENDENT.

To the School Committee :

I herewith present my third annual report as Superintendent of Schools.

The past year has been unusually quiet along all the lines. There has been very little fault-finding from any source. This condition has very materially contributed toward the general success of the schools. No element so much assists in school work as harmony and co-operation of parents, teachers, officers and the townspeople in general.

If parents and other citizens are not in sympathy with the existing order of things, the school children hearing the discussions and expressions of dissatisfaction, become imbued with the same feelings and convey them into the schools to the detriment of all school interests.

It is to be hoped that in the future, as seems to have been the case in the past year, all differences of opinions concerning school matters will be discussed sufficiently in the March meeting and dropped as settled for the year, at its close.

In connection with the thoughts already expressed, I wish to quote from Professor Munsterburg of Harvard.

Professor Munsterberg was born and educated in Germany. In contrasting the schools of America with those of Germany he finds much in the school life of this country, that to his mind, does not compare favorably with the school-life of his own country, and expresses himself in regard to what he considers essential conditions of successful school-life as follows :

"I feel inclined to say that what our school children (American) need is not only good teachers, but also good parents. They need fathers who feel the responsibility to be

the ultimate moral guides of the youth and who do not undermine by carelessness the patient work of the teacher. They need mothers who through all their love and indulgence steadily insist on the seriousness of duties, and who are not misled by the superficial theories of half-educated educators to believe that persuasion only and never command has to enter the nursery. They need parents who understand what they are doing when they let their children omit the school work when guests are coming, when they urge the school to reduce and reduce the daily home work, and when they enjoy the jokes of the child on the teacher. It is a noble thing that Americans put millions into new school houses, but to build up the education in the class room without a foundation in the serious, responsible aid of the parents, is not better than to build those magnificent buildings of brick and stone on shifting sands."

During the time covered by this report two changes have occurred in our teaching force.

At the close of the school year in June the teacher at No. 4 resigned and has been succeeded by Miss Schenck, under whose charge the school is doing well. At the same time Mr. Catheron, principal of the High School resigned and Mr. Hunnewell of South Portland, Me., succeeded him. The indications are that Mr. Hunnewell's administration will meet ably the needs of the school.

A new course of study has been prepared that will be printed, together with certain rules pertaining to the management of the High School.

A manual of regulations relating to the Primary and Grammar Schools has been prepared and printed under the directions of the Committee. The work of the elementary schools during the past year has, in the main, been satisfactory.

There are a few pupils, who, according to present indications, cannot be promoted at the close of the present school year.

The only policy that will promote the standing of our

schools is to make only deserving promotions. The schools are in good standing as a whole and it should be the purpose of all concerned to so maintain them.

Music is fast becoming a part of the regular work of the schools of the state. I wish it might soon become established in our schools.

For books and general supplies I recommend the same appropriation as that of the past year, \$450. Although in the report of the committee there appears an unexpended balance of about \$50, there are outstanding bills approximating this amount, that I was unable to present in time to have them appear in the present report.

Respectfully submitted,

C. A. RECORD.

HIGH SCHOOL REPORT.

The citizens of Norwell should take great pride in their High School.

It reflects much credit upon not only the School Committee and Superintendents who have for the past few years had in charge the work of this school, but also upon the citizens of Norwell who have established, and by their efforts supported, the High School until it is to remain as a monument which marks an advanced standing of the people of Norwell in the educational world.

The students of the Norwell High School when compared with those of other High Schools seem to be particularly brilliant and capable of doing the work in High School subjects, especially well since they are not surrounded with all the modern appliances used in High School work.

One thing which makes the work of the High School most successful and that is the almost entire support which the parents give any measure or movement adopted in the work of the school. No school can be successful until the students find that at home all school matters are heartily endorsed and all rules must be strictly obeyed.

Thus the successful work which the High School has done and is trying to do is the direct result of the efforts of the Norwell citizens for the interest manifested by the parents and the support given by them during this year clearly shows that the home influence exerted upon the students of the Norwell High School is, and must be, the means of its successful work.

Although the school cannot accomplish work in branches which call for extensive equipment, still the course offers all the important subjects which are necessary in a High School

of this grade, and the work is on the whole very thoroughly taken up and completed.

There are no immediate needs except those common to every High School of this size.

The centralization of the Grammar School work would directly benefit the High School in bringing uniformity in the preparation of the students for the entering classes of the High School.

J. A. HUNNEWELL,
Principal Norwell High School.

TRANSCRIPT OF ARTICLES IN THE WARRANT

FOR THE ANNUAL MEETING, MARCH 2, 1903,
AT NINE O'CLOCK A. M.

Article 1. To choose a Moderator.

Art. 2. To choose a Town Clerk.

Art. 3. To hear and act on the report of the Town Clerk, Selectmen, Overseers of the Poor, Auditor, Collector and Treasurer.

Art. 4. To choose all such town officers as the laws of the state and the by-laws of the town require.

Art. 5. To bring in their votes "Yes" or "No" in answer to the question, "Shall licenses be granted for the sale of intoxicating liquors in this town for the ensuing year?"

Art. 6. What amount of money will the town raise for the support of poor and incidental expenses.

Art. 7. What sum of money will the town raise for the support of schools.

Art. 8. What sum of money will the town raise for highway repairs.

Art. 9. What compensation will the town make for removing snow and appropriate money for the same.

Art. 10. In what manner and time shall the taxes be collected the ensuing year.

Art. 11. Will the town accept the list of jurors prepared by the Selectmen.

Art. 12. Will the town authorize the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to hire money in anticipation of taxes.

Art. 13. To hear and act on the report of any committee heretofore chosen.

Art. 14. To make allowance to town creditors.

Art. 15. What sum of money will the town appropriate for the use of Post 112, G. A. R., on Memorial Day.

Art. 16. What sum of money will the town appropriate for the payment of state and military aid.

Art. 17. What sum of money will the town appropriate to pay the Superintendent of Schools.

Art. 18. What sum of money will the town raise for repairs of school houses and incidentals.

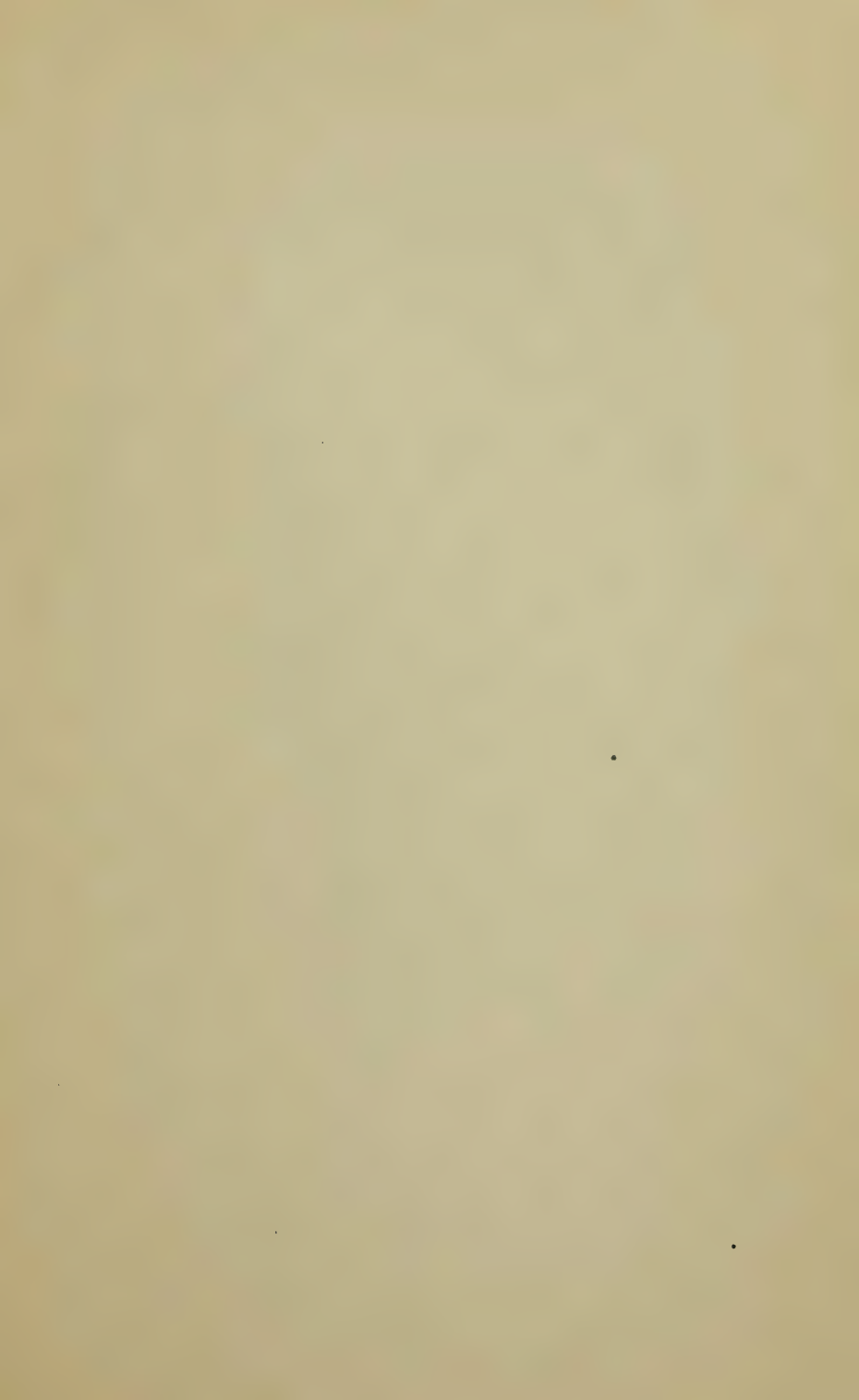
Art. 19. Will the town cause a statement of their financial affair to be printed in February next.

Art. 20. Will the town appropriate a sum of money to be expended in the cemetery on Washington street.

Art. 21. Will the town cause a receiving tomb to be built in the cemetery, and raise and appropriate money for the same.

Art. 22. Will the town appropriate a sum of money to be expended under the direction of the Massachusetts Highway Commission in the construction of that part of Main street between the Scituate line and Bridge street.

Art. 23. Will the town give any instructions to town officers.



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TO THE CITIZENS OF THE TOWN OF NORWELL:

Your town officers respectfully submit the following as their fifty-fourth annual report.

Report of the Town Clerk.

At the annual meeting of the qualified voters of the Town of Norwell, held March 2, 1903, the following action was taken:

Article 1. To choose a Moderator.

Chose Alpheus Thomas, Moderator.

Article 2. To choose a Town Clerk.

Chose Joseph F. Merritt, Town Clerk.

Article 3. To hear and act on the report of the Town Clerk, Selectmen, Overseers of the Poor, Auditor, Collector and Treasurer.

Voted, to accept the reports of these officers.

Article 4. To choose all such officers as the laws of the State and the by-laws of the Town require.

Elected the following officers by ballot:

Selectmen, Assessors and Overseers of the Poor, George W. Griggs, Alpheus Thomas, Henry D. Smith.

Treasurer, Horace T. Fogg.

Auditor, George Cushing.

Tree Warden, John Corthell.

School Committee for three years, George C. Turner.

Board of Health for three years, Alpheus Thomas.

Constables, William E. Wilder, Alpheus Thomas, Walter T. Osborn, J. Warren Foster, John Corthell, Everett E. Chamberlain.

Tax Collector, Andrew J. Litchfield.

Highway Surveyors. Voted, to have one highway surveyor and that the chair appoint a committee of 15 to retire and bring in a list of three candidates for surveyor. The committee reported the names of Emanuel P. Joseph, L. Frank Hammond and Walter Simmons. A ballot was then taken and Emanuel P. Joseph was elected Highway Surveyor.

Field Drivers. The Constables were chosen Field Drivers.

Fence Viewers, George W. Griggs, Alpheus Thomas, Henry D. Smith.

Cemetery Committee, Charles H. Lapham, George W. Curtis, Jerome H. Sawyer.

Article 5. To bring in their votes "Yes" or "No" in answer to the question, "Shall licenses be granted for the sale of intoxicating liquors in this town for the ensuing year?"

The polls were kept open one hour on this question. Whole number of ballots cast 125; Yes 43, No 82.

Article 6. What amount of money will the town raise for the support of poor and incidental expenses?

Voted, to raise and appropriate \$2500 for the support of poor.

Voted, to raise and appropriate \$250 for incidental expenses.

Article 7. What sum of money will the town raise for the support of schools?

Voted, to raise and appropriate \$4000 for support of schools.

Voted, to raise and appropriate \$1100 additional for support of schools. (A motion to transport the High School scholars was voted down, also amendment that all pupils be transported. This vote was afterwards reconsidered.)

Voted, that the Selectmen be a committee to take into consideration the removal of school building at Dist. No. 2 to the Town Hall, and report as soon as practicable at a special meeting to be called for this purpose; also that they make any other suggestions.

Voted, to transport the scholars the same as last year.

Article 8. What sum of money will the town raise for highway repairs?

Voted, to raise and appropriate \$2500.

Voted, that Highway Surveyor employ townspeople only for road work.

Article 9. What compensation will the town make for removing snow and appropriate money for the same?

Voted, 25 cents per hour compensation, and to use the money received from the street railway excise tax as an appropriation for this purpose.

Article 10. In what manner and time shall the taxes be collected the ensuing year?

Voted, that they be collected in the same manner and time as last year, with the exception that they be made collectable on November 15, instead of December 1, as heretofore.

Voted, that salary of Collector be \$225.

Voted, that Collector have the same powers in the collection of taxes that he would have were he Town Treasurer.

Article 11. Will the town accept the list of jurors prepared by the Selectmen?

Voted, to accept the revised list.

Henry F. Ford	James E. Stoddard
Edwin M. Sexton	Andrew S. Richardson
Seth Foster	Joseph C. Otis
Frank Dyer	Edwin A. Turner
James B. Knapp	Henry J. Tolman
Francis E. Henderson	Arthur C. Jones
George W. Jones	Seth O. Fitts
Joseph H. Hatch	L. Frank Hammond
Wallace H. Damon	James L. Litchfield

Walter T. Osborn
 Alpheus Damon
 Frank M. Vining
 Clifton S. Deane

Arthur T. Stoddard
 John Whalen
 George F. Cate

Article 12. Will the town authorize the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to hire money in anticipation of taxes?

Voted, that the Treasurer be authorized, with the approval of the Selectmen, to hire money in anticipation of taxes.

Article 13. To hear and act upon the report of any committee heretofore chosen.

Voted, to accept the partial report of committee on Union Bridge, stating that the matter was not settled.

Voted, to accept report of committee chosen to confer with the James Library Committee, recommending no action.

As the committee on receiving tomb was not ready to report it was voted that they serve another year.

Article 14. To make allowance to town creditors.

Voted, to pay bill of Charles O. Keene for \$2, fixing driveway for David Griffith.

Article 15. What sum of money will the town appropriate for the use of Post 112, G. A. R., on Memorial day?

Voted, to raise and appropriate \$100.

Article 16. What sum of money will the town appropriate for the payment of State and Military Aid?

Voted, to appropriate \$2500.

Article 17. What sum of money will the town appropriate to pay the Superintendent of Schools?

Voted, to appropriate \$250.

Article 18. What sum of money will the town raise for the repairs of school houses and incidentals?

Voted, to raise and appropriate \$800 for repairs, incidentals and supplies.

Article 19. Will the town cause a statement of their financial affairs to be printed in February next?

Voted, that they do.

Article 20. Will the town appropriate a sum of money to be expended in the cemetery on Washington street ?

Voted, that the income derived from sale of lots be an appropriation for care of cemetery.

Article 21. Will the town cause a receiving tomb to be built in the cemetery on Washington street, and raise and appropriate money for the same ?

Voted, to pass over this article.

Article 22. Will the town appropriate a sum of money to be expended under the direction of the Massachusetts Highway Commission in the construction of that part of Main street, between the Scituate line and Bridge street ?

Voted, to raise and appropriate \$1000 for constructing the above mentioned portion of highway.

Article 23. Will the town give any instructions to town officers ?

Voted, that the Selectmen be empowered to collect bill against Town of Dana and to employ counsel to do so if they consider it advisable.

Voted, to raise and appropriate \$50 for use of the Tree Warden and that he be instructed to use one-half of amount in setting out trees.

Voted, that the pay for work on highways be the same as last year, but the Highway Surveyor shall receive \$2.50 per day.

Voted, that the Overseers of the Poor be instructed to employ Dr. H. J. Little as Town Physician for the ensuing year.

Voted, that Horace T. Fogg be a committee to ascertain how the income from Prudence C. Delano fund for benefit of poor children has been expended and that he be authorized to send for persons and papers.

Voted, that Selectmen accept bequest of \$100 from George P. Clapp, the income to be used for care of lot at Church Hill Cemetery.

Article 24. Will the town pay a bounty on woodchucks and appropriate money for the same?

Voted, to pay a bounty of twenty-five cents on woodchucks for the ensuing year and to appropriate \$500 for this purpose.

Voted, that the Treasurer be authorized to receive whole woodchucks and pay bounty.

Article 25. Or act or do anything relative to the above.

The resolutions prepared by the town officers on the death of Henry Norwell, were read to the meeting, also Mrs. Norwell's letter acknowledging the receipt of them. It was voted that both letter and resolutions be spread upon the records.

Voted, to sell two fish rights at auction. Purchaser, C. S. Tilden, who gave one dollar for the first and three dollars for the second.

Voted, that Secretary of School Committee be paid \$50 salary and the other members a salary not to exceed \$25 each.

Voted, that all money to be raised, be assessed on the polls and estates of residents and on the estates of non-residents.

Voted, to pay Moderator \$5 for services this day.

Voted, that the meeting be dissolved.

JOSEPH F. MERRITT, Town Clerk.

RESOLUTIONS.

A meeting of the officers of the Town of Norwell was held at the Town House, Wednesday evening, February 11, 1903, to take action upon the death of Henry Norwell, Esq., George W. Griggs, chairman of the selectmen, presiding at said meeting.

The following memorial was presented by Horace T. Fogg, Esq., Treasurer of Norwell, and was unanimously adopted :

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The citizens of the Town of Norwell have learned with profound sorrow of the sudden death of Henry Norwell, Esq., whose name our town has borne since 1888.

Although not a native of this town, by his earnest qualities and rare ability, he walked foremost in our ranks, and we wish to place upon record our deep appreciation of the many kindly acts he performed and the benefits he conferred upon us.

He gave freely for local improvements. He was deeply interested in every movement for the public good. Generous and public spirited, frank and open hearted, he had won a place in our affections rarely to be attained.

He has gone from our midst, but he has left behind the pleasant recollection of a man of eminent worth and noble impulses, and of a citizen whom our town did well to honor.

To his widow and children we extend the sincere and heart-felt sympathy of each and every resident of Norwell, and it is our hope and prayer that the Father of All may watch over them in their sorrow, and bring them the peace and comfort that the world cannot give.

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6 Walnut Street, Beacon Hill.

Mr. Horace T. Fogg,

Dear Sir : — Will you please express to the townspeople of Norwell the deep appreciation and thanks of myself and children for the honorable and loving tribute paid by them to our dear one, who has entered into eternal rest.

The best interests of the town were very near to him always. With very grateful thanks, I am

Very truly yours,

ELLEN J. NORWELL.

February 14, 1903.

SPECIAL TOWN MEETING, APRIL 24, 1903.

Article 1. To choose a Moderator.

Chose Alpheus Thomas, Moderator.

Article 2. To hear and act on the report of the Selectmen on the matter of moving the school house now standing in District No. 2, to a location near the Town Hall and putting it in suitable condition for the accommodation of two grammar schools, and appropriate money for the same.

Voted, to pass over this article.

Voted, to reconsider the vote whereby this article was passed over.

Voted, to accept the report of the committee.

Voted, to pass over this article.

Article 3. To see if the town will buy or otherwise acquire a piece of land near the Town Hall, on which to locate the above named school house, and appropriate money for the same,

Voted to pass over this article.

Article 4. Will the town contract with the Massachusetts Highway Commission for the construction of that part of Main street for which the sum of \$1000 was raised and appropriated at the annual meeting in March last?

Voted, that the town contract with the State Highway Commission for the construction of said highway.

Voted, that the Selectmen sub-let the contract for work if it be agreeable to the State Highway Commission.

Voted, to reconsider this last vote.

Voted, that the entire matter be left in the hands of the Selectmen.

Article 5. Will the town cause a shed to be built in which to store the road tools belonging to the Town, and appropriate money for the same?

Voted, that the Selectmen be a committee to build a shed for this purpose and to appropriate \$200.

Article 6. Will the town grade the grounds around the school house in District No 5 ?

Voted, to pass over this article.

Article 7. Will the town cause the curbing around the Common where the Soldiers' Monument stands to be finished ?

Voted, to refer the matter to the Highway Surveyor and request him to finish it.

Article 8. Will the town provide any additional accommodations for the High School and appropriate money for the same ?

No action was taken on this article.

Article 9. Will the town pay Arthur C. Litchfield his claim for expenses incurred by him in providing schooling for his children ?

Voted, that the Town Treasurer be instructed to pay Arthur C. Litchfield \$80, the amount expended by him for the tuition of his children.

Article 10. Will the town pay a bounty on crows killed in town and appropriate money for the same ?

Voted, to pass over.

Article 11. Will the town pay the bill of the Pittsburg Bridge Co. for the balance due on account of the construction of Union Bridge, and appropriate money for the same ?

Voted, that the Town Treasurer be instructed to pay the bill direct to Bridge Company, and that the sum of \$1000 be appropriated for that purpose.

Article 12. Will the town pay Walter R. Torrey for services performed in connection with the settlement with the Pittsburg Bridge Company for the construction of Union Bridge, and appropriate money for the same ?

Voted, to pass over.

Voted, to reconsider the vote whereby this article was passed over.

Voted, not to pay Mr. Torrey \$180 for services rendered in this matter.

Article 13. Will the town authorize the Treasurer, with

the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow such sum of money as may be needed to meet any appropriations made at this meeting, and give notes of the town for a term of years to secure the same ?

Voted, that the Treasurer be authorized, with the approval of the Selectmen, to hire money for this purpose and to give the necessary notes of the town as security.

Article 14. Will the town give any instructions to town officers ?

Voted, that the Town Treasurer be instructed to pay to the Treasurer of Marshfield one-half of the expense incurred by that town in settling with the Bridge Company, and that this town receive one-half of discount obtained from contract price of bridge.

Voted, to instruct the Highway Surveyor not to expend two-thirds of appropriation before June 1, unless he considers it for the best interest of the town to do so.

Voted, that meeting be dissolved.

JOSEPH F. MERRITT, Town Clerk.

STATE ELECTION.

Pursuant to a warrant duly executed, the qualified voters of the Town of Norwell met at the Town Hall, Tuesday, November 3, 1903, and gave in their ballots as follows :

Whole number of ballots cast 188.

GOVERNOR.

John L. Bates, Republican	111
Thomas F. Brennan, Socialist Labor	0
John C. Chase, Socialist	2
Oliver W. Cobb, Prohibition	1

William A. Gaston, Democratic	72
Blanks	2

LIEUTENANT-GOVERNOR.

John Quincy Adams, Socialist	5
Curtis Guild, Jr., Republican	115
William F. Merrill, Prohibition	1
Richard Olney, 2d, Democratic	57
Moritz E. Ruther, Socialist Labor	0
Blanks	10

SECRETARY.

Olof Bokelund, Socialist	2
John F. Coyle, Socialist Labor	0
Alfred L. Cutting, Prohibition	1
Ezekiel M. Ezekiel, Democratic	52
William M. Olin, Republican	117
Blanks	16

TREASURER AND RECEIVER GENERAL.

John A. Billings, Socialist	5
Edward S. Bradford, Republican	114
Napoleon B. Johnson, Prohibition	1
Frederick A. Nagler, Socialist Labor	0
Thomas C. Thacher, Democratic	53
Blanks	15

AUDITOR.

John H. Hagan, Socialist Labor	0
Joseph Orr, Socialist	2
Alfred E. Steele, Prohibition	2
Francois X. Tetrault, Democratic	52

Henry E. Turner, Republican	114
Blanks	18

ATTORNEY-GENERAL.

John A. Anderson, Socialist Labor	0
William J. Carroll, Socialist	2
Henry M. Dean, Prohibition	2
John J. Flaherty, Democratic	46
Herbert Parker, Republican	119
Blanks	19

COUNCILLOR — FIRST DISTRICT.

Roland C. Nickerson, Republican	116
Edwin Sawtell, Prohibition	4
Joseph R. Smith, Socialist	8
William Swindlehurst, Socialist Labor	4
Blanks	56

SENATOR — FIRST PLYMOUTH DISTRICT.

Henry O. Cook, Socialist Labor	2
Thomas H. Dunn, Socialist	4
Elisha T. Harvell, Republican	104
Thomas Mannix, Democratic	67
Roland D. Sawyer, Prohibition	2
Blanks	9

REPRESENTATIVE IN GENERAL COURT.
SECOND PLYMOUTH DISTRICT.

Ernest L. Bonney, Republican	99
John J. Ford, Democratic	78
John W. Tower, Socialist	3
Blanks	8

COUNTY COMMISSIONERS — PLYMOUTH.

Edmund Daly, Democratic	45
Jacob Hersey, Prohibition	2
Jeremiah O'Fihelly, Socialist Labor	1
Harry D. Stuart, Socialist	4
Lyman P. Thomas, Republican	115
Blanks	21

- REGISTER OF PROBATE AND INSOLVENCY.

PLYMOUTH COUNTY.

Edward N. Gormley, Prohibition	2
Walter L. McConney, Socialist	2
Waltar F. Stephens, Democratic	50
John C. Sullivan, Republican	113
Blanks	21

REGISTER OF DEEDS — PLYMOUTH COUNTY.

H. Edward Morgan, Socialist Labor	1
Benjamin F. Peterson, Democratic	46
George N. Tyler, Socialist	4
John B. Washburn, Republican	118
Blanks	19

COUNTY TREASURER — PLYMOUTH.

George B. Cushman, Socialist	4
Albert Davis, Republican	116
George B. Hobart, Democratic	51
Leonard Thompson, Prohibition	3
Blanks	14

CLERKS' CONVENTION.

At the meeting of the Town Clerks of the towns comprising the Second Plymouth Representative District, held Nov. 13, 1903, at Marshfield, it was ascertained that the vote for Representative was as follows :

Whole number of ballots	1,222
Ernest L. Bonney of Scituate, Republican	704
John J. Ford of Scituate, Democratic	391
John W. Tower of Duxbury, Socialist	46
Blanks	81

Ernest L. Bonney having a plurality of the votes returned was declared to be elected and his certificate made out in accordance therewith.

REGISTERED VOTERS.

At the close of registration October 24, 1903, there were 364 male voters and one female voter on the list.

ENROLLED MILITIA.

Number of men enrolled for military duty 224.

DOGS LICENSED.

The number of dogs licensed during the year ending Dec. 1, 1903, was as follows :

Male	145
Female	17
Special Breeder's License	1

SPECIAL TOWN MEETING — DEC. 11, 1903.

Article 1. To choose a Moderator.

Chose Alpheus Thomas, Moderator.

Article 2. Will the town sell or lease its salt marshes and flats situated in North River and in the North River marshes in the Town of Scituate in said state, and for what price, and to pass any votes and to transact any other business that may be necessary to carry the same into effect?

Voted, to pass over this article.

Voted, that this meeting be dissolved.

JOSEPH F. MERRITT, Town Clerk.

MARRIAGES REGISTERED DURING YEAR 1903.

- Jan. 1, At Hanover, Willie Everett Magoun of Norwell, and Catherine McLeod of Hanover, by Rev. Melvin S. Nash.
- Feb. 12, At Norwell, John Henry Prince and Mary Ann Casey, both of Norwell, by Rev. Frederick H. Kidder.
- March 11, At Norwell, Calvin Crane of Hanover, and Agnes G. Gooch of Norwell, by Rev. Frederick L. Cleveland.
- June 3, At Manchester, Arthur Lewis Toppan of Norwell, and Franceina Colby Rowe of Manchester, by Rev. Alfred Manchester.
- June 24, At Hanover, Archie F. Merritt and Nellie Florence Stoddard, both of Norwell, by Rev. Melvin S. Nash.
- June 30, At North Scituate, Walter Littlefield and Alice May Merritt, both of Norwell, by Rev. Arthur W. Cleaves.
- July 17, At Hanover, Henry Fox and Margaret Elizabeth Flanders, both of Norwell, by Rev. Frank S. Harridan.
- Aug. 7, At South Weymouth, Walter Murray Jones of Norwell, and Mabel L. Holbrook of South Weymouth, by Rev. Robert L. McArthur.
- Aug. 8, At Norwell, Ernest Stoddard of Norwell, and Ella Frances Harris of Rockland, by Rev. Edward H. Keens.
- Aug. 22, At Rockland, Roy Phillips Hatch of Norwell, and Sarah Vincent Mann of Rockland, by Rev. J. W. Brownville.
- Sept. 16, At North Scituate, John Beach of Scituate, and Elizabeth Robinson of Norwell, by Rev. Arthur W. Cleaves.

- Sept. 20, At Norwell, Harry Phillips Henderson of Norwell, and Edna Estelle Clapp of Scituate, by Rev. Edward H. Keens.
- Sept. 23, At Franklin, Ernest Lynwood Henderson and Jennie Frances Chapman, both of Norwell, by Rev. Franklin A. Everett.
- Oct. 6, At Lexington, Winfield Scott Upson of Westfield, and Mary Emeline Brooks of Norwell, by Rev. T. Thompson.
- Oct. 28, At Norwell, Charles A. Berry of Norwell, and Mercy Belle Stevens of Rockland, by Rev. Edward H. Keens.
- Oct. 30, At North Hanover, Arthur H. Carr and Maria Lincoln, both of Norwell, by Rev. Frederick L. Cleveland.
- Nov. 25, At Hanover, Charles Austin Stearns of Hanover, and Abbie Caroline Hatch of Norwell, by Rev. Melvin S. Nash.

BIRTHS REGISTERED IN NORWELL DURING THE YEAR 1903.

DATE OF BIRTH.	NAME OF CHILD.	NAME OF PARENTS.	MAIDEN NAME OF MOTHER
February 3,	Elizabeth A. Griffin.....	Joseph H. and Annie E.....	McDonald.
19,	Hazel Marion Smith.....	Anthony J. and Belle.....	Wilder.
28,	Clifton Ansel Lambert.....	Oscar W. and Linda M.....	Jones.
March 9,	Lora May Bates.....	Charles H. and Mamie.....	Lovejoy.
11,	Elsie May Briggs.....	Walter S. and Charlotte.....	Osborne.
15,	Burton Lawrence White.....	Patrick L. and Ella.....	Pratt.
16,	Stillborn.....	Joseph W. and Hortense.....	Bunker.
25,	William Ellsworth Hatch.....	Albert L. and Amy W.....	Dinzey.
April 6,	Albert Lenthal Sylvester.....	George S. and Annie.....	Burger.
May 7,	Jesse Frederick Hatch.....	Eloer W. and Florence M.....	Hunt.
12,	Laurence William Henderson.....	John W. and Anna M.....	Nichols.
17,	Wilbur Nichols Burns.....	William F. and Ella M.....	Ducie.
June 14,	Helen Gladys Pratt.....	Charles T. and Ada F.....	Reed.
21,	Marjorie Reed Stockbridge.....	Horace T. and L. Isabella.....	Faulkner.
July 14,	Helen Fogg.....	Paul H. and Cora M.....	Stewart.
31,	Walter Hubert Hussey.....	Wallace H. and Fannie M.....	Crocker.
September 21,	George Lester Damon.....	John A. and Annie A.....	Damon.
October 2,	Helen Gertrude Moulton.....	Harding R. and Carrie M.....	Dyer.
10,	Eunice Isabella Sproul.....	Laban and Nora.....	Kelley.
December 5,	Lucy Norena Bates.....		
1902.			
March 21,	Elizabeth Salmon Sylvester.....	Albert L. and Amy W.....	Dinzey.
27,	Evelyn Linwood Crocker.....	Clifton L. and Annie L.....	Spies.
August 12,	Walter Brenton Griffin.....	Brenton H. and Addie.....	Munnis.
October 24,	Ernest Gordon Hunt.....	Charles F. and Emily M.....	Smith.
November 7,	Olive Florence Hatch.....	Edward A. and Lizzie F.....	Coleman.

DEATHS 1903.

DATE.	NAME.	AGE.	CAUSE OF DEATH.	BIRTHPLACE.	PLACE OF DEATH.
January 11,	George A. Wilder.....	Y. 53	Acute Alcoholism	Scituate.	Norwell.
21,	William L. Briggs.....	D. 6	Heart Disease [Hem'rage	So. Scituate.	"
22,	Lucie A. Jones (Stetson).....	43 10	Tumor of Liver and Int'l	Hanover.	"
25,	Sarah T. Curtis (Clapp).....	47 10	Old Age, Bronchitis	Scituate.	"
25,	Grace Lavina Damon.....	84 11	Cerebritis	Norwell.	"
February 4,	Mary E. Jacobs (Nichols).....	2 8	Gall Stones	Plymouth.	"
7,	William W. Collamore.....	86 5	Fractured Hip, Pneumonia	Scituate.	"
15,	Ann M. Fox (Anderson).....	72 11	Consumption	Hull.	"
18,	Sylvania Toppan (Doloff).....	55 11	Pneumonia	N. Hampshire.	"
20,	Susan H. Higbee (Whitney).....	79 4	Gall Stones, Heart Failure	Saco, Me.	"
March 5,	Grace Violet Lee.....	67 7	Tuberculosis	Norwell.	"
April 27,	Josephine A. Corthell (Sylvester).....	2 7	Heart Disease	Hanson.	"
30,	Burton L. White.....	73 10	Bronchitis, Pneumonia	Scituate.	"
May 12,	Ida Ellen Pratt (McAlloney).....	66 6	Atelctasis	Norwell.	"
14,	Lacy O. Gunderway (Winslow).....	37 9	Consumption	Nova Scotia.	"
15,	Abbie M. Damon (Clapp).....	53 3	Bright's Disease	Scituate.	"
20,	John Chadwick.....	69 1	Gen'l Debility, Bronchitis	Scituate.	"
June 8,	James B. Knapp.....	71 6	Rhe'tism, Cerebral Hem-	"	"
11,	Mary Monahan (Kane).....	74 6	iphenism, Cerebral Hem'rage [rage	Scituate.	"
13,	Benoni L. Griswold.....	79 9	Disease of Heart	Ireland.	"
20,	William Ellsworth Hatch.....	73 3	Acute Indigest'n & Cardiac	Charlestown.	"
30,	Nathan Cushing.....	73 7	Convulsions	Norwell.	"
August 9,	Laura A. Price (Walker).....	89 2	Arterio-Sclerosis, Pneu-	Scituate.	"
September 11,	Augustus Gardner.....	42 2	Bright's Disease	Maine.	"
16,	Orlando H. Lake.....	76 2	Depressed Fracture of Skull	Hanson.	"
23,	Jerome H. Sawyer.....	69 10	Heart Disease, Cong. Lungs	N. Hampshire.	"
November 29,	Louisa Victoria Dinzey.....	71 8	Organic Heart Disease	N. Hampshire.	"
December 15,		63 11	Collapse, General Debility	St. Catherine's	"
				[Ontario, Can.]	

Number of marriages, 17.

Number of births, 25.

Number of deaths, 28.

Respectfully submitted,

JOSEPH F. MERRITT, Town Clerk.

Report of the Town Treasurer.

Horace T. Fogg, Treasurer, in account with the Town of
Norwell.

DR.

To cash on hand January 21, 1903	\$2,761 00
Dog tax 1902, refunded	305 81
Income Massachusetts school fund	526 34
Refunded by the Commonwealth :	
Corporation tax	6,719 76
National bank tax	771 95
Inspection of animals	23 75
Tuition of children in small towns	300 00
Education of children, State Board of Charity	110 00
State Aid	2,250 00
Street railway tax	347 43
State highway	1,000 00
Superintendent of Schools	416 67
Refunded by County :	
Union bridge account	800 00
Refunded by Towns :	
Town of Duxbury, aid	12 00
Town of Rockland, aid	36 30
Town of Holbrook, aid	104 00
Town of Canton, aid	99 00
Town of Marshfield, aid	90 00
Town of Scituate, aid	85 05

Town of Hanson, aid	\$45 00
Town of Whitman, aid	76 50
Town of Hingham, aid	21 50
Town of Hanover, aid	32 16
Town of Plymouth, aid	28 00
Town of Oxford, aid	25 00
Town of Dartmouth, aid	31 00
Town of Rockland, tuition	52 00
Board of Mary L. Bowker, refunded	126 75
Sale of lots in cemetery	32 00
Charles S. Tilden, fish rights	4 00
Charles H. Bates, interest Granderson mortgage	7 50
Second District Court fines	42 13
Harry S. Merritt, license	2 00
Otis H. Perry, license	2 00
Charles H. Wilder, license	1 00
Sale of desks	1 00
Grass at Church Hill	50
J. H. Pinkham, superintendent of almshouse	170 24
Geo. Cushing Conservator, board of Angeline Rogers	255 72
Overdrafts repaid	7 90
South Scituate Savings Bank, notes in anticipation of taxes	8,500 00
South Scituate Savings Bank, time loan	1,200 00
Interest on temporary deposit	32 62
Old Colony Street Railway, excise tax	217 92
Assessment of 1903	13,065 80
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	\$40,739 30

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By cash paid on Selectmen's orders	\$21,893 39
Alpheus Thomas, Moderator, by vote of town	5 00
Arthur C. Litchfield, tuition, by vote of town	80 00
C. O. Keen, bill, by vote of town	2 00

Post 112, G. A. R., by vote of town	\$100 00
Town of Marshfield, on account of Union Bridge, by vote of town	180 00
Pittsburg Bridge Company, by vote of town	1,000 00
Police officers and constables, Second District Court	165 69
Bounty on 838 woodchucks	209 50
South Scituate Savings Bank, anticipation notes	8,500 00
South Scituate Savings Bank, int. on above notes	210 80
South Scituate Savings Bank, time notes	2,200 00
South Scituate Savings Bank, interest on time loan	318 00
Interest on Coffin Poor Fund, note	80 00
Interest on A. T. Otis Poor Fund, note	52 00
Scituate Tax	4 95
County Tax	1,446 25
State Tax	850 00
Cash on hand to balance	3,441 72
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	\$40,739 30

Respectfully submitted,

HORACE T. FOGG, Treas.

Tax Collector's Report.

Andrew J. Litchfield, in account with the Town of Norwell.

DR.

To excise tax	\$217 92
To assessment of 1903	13,065 80
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	\$13,283 72

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By excise tax paid Treasurer	\$217 92
By cash paid Treasurer	12,503 59
By cash deposited with Treasurer to relieve bondsmen on unpaid taxes	562 21
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	\$13,283 72

Respectfully submitted,

ANDREW J. LITCHFIELD, Collector.

TAXES ABATED.

Thomas Tindale	\$4 28
Joseph W. Wheeler	2 00
Henry F. Vining	2 00
George A. Osborn	2 00

John H. Howard	\$2 00
Lucy Gunderway	4 50
L. C. Sylvester	08
Angeline V. Rogers	4 35
Alden Beach	2 00
Lorenzo Cromwell	2 73
James S. Costello	2 00
John Dagan	5 63
Charles David	2 00
James C. Durnin	2 00
Almira C. Griswold	3 12
B. L. Griswold	2 00
H. P. Smead	2 00
Alden Briggs	07
Anthony Collamore, exr.	07
Joshua Studley	07
Michael Sylvester	07
Joseph Thompson	07
Sophia Turner	07
James H. Whitman	07
Benjamin Briggs	11 79
A. W. Pinson	4 35
Mary R. Turner	7 25
Mrs. Lyman Lincoln	7 25
Jesse M. Winslow	73

\$76 55

Assessors' Report.

Value of buildings	\$449,168 00
Value of land	236,401 00
Value of personal property	148,384 00
Total	<hr/> \$833,953 00

State tax	\$850 00
County tax	1,446 25
Town tax	10,300 00
Overlayings	469 55
Total tax	<hr/> \$13,065 80

Street railway excise tax	\$217 92
Assessors' warrant to Collector	13,065 80
Rate of taxation per thousand	14 50

Number of polls assessed	476
Paying poll tax only	163
Horses assessed	395
Cows assessed	210
Neat cattle other than cows	38
Sheep assessed	24
Swine assessed	23

Fowl assessed	7,948
Dwelling houses	452
Acres of land assessed	12,017

GEORGE W. GRIGGS,
ALPHEUS THOMAS,
HENRY D. SMITH,
Assessors of Norwell.

Highways.

E. P. Joseph, 54 5-9 days at \$2.50	\$136 39
E. P. Joseph, 1 man and 2 horses, 670 hours at 50c	335 00
E. P. Joseph, 1 horse, 781 hours at 16 2-3c	130 17
E. P. Joseph, 1 man, 107 hours at 20c	21 40
Edward Winslow, 99 hours at 20c	19 80
Robert N. Leavitt, 273 hours at 20c	54 60
Caleb D. Litchfield, 18 hours at 20c	3 60
Samuel A. Ward, 45 hours at 20c	9 00
Levi N. Osborn, 8 hours at 20c	1 60
J. Henry Leavitt, 147 hours at 20c	29 40
Ernest Loring, 197 hours at 20c	39 40
Harold Merritt, 54 hours at 20c	10 80
Percy Merritt, 63 hours at 20c	12 60
John T. Moody and 2 horses, 85 hours at 50c	42 50
Charles Harris, 58 hours at 20c	11 60
Fred W. Gardner and 2 horses, 286 hours at 50c	143 00
Nelson Osborn, 67 hours at 20c	13 40
Carlton W. Pinson, 246 hours at 20c	49 20
E. H. Osborn, 81 hours at 20c	16 20
Alvin Vinal, 109 hours at 20c	21 80
Henry L. Studley, 156 hours at 20c	31 20
Andrew Clapp, 63 hours at 20c	12 60

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Walter Simmons and 2 horses, 99 hours at 50c	\$49 50
Clifford Brett and 2 horses, 203 hours at 50c	101 50
Clifford Brett and 3 horses, 18 hours at 66 2-3c	12 00
I. D. Chenervert and 1 horse, 54 hours at 33 1-3c	163 00 18 00
John S. Gardner, 18 hours at 20c	3 60
Albert Winslow, 45 hours at 20c	9 00
William D. Turner and 2 horses, 179 hours at 50c	89 50
James Smith, 175 hours at 20c	35 00
Charles Smith, 126 hours at 20c	25 20
Robert Smith, 180 hours at 20c	36 00
Simeon Damon, 76 hours at 20c	15 20
Benjamin Loring and 2 horses, 167 hours at 50c	83 50
I. H. Packard, 213 1-2 hours at 20c	42 70
John T. Hatch, 252 hours at 20c	50 40
Frank Baker, 45 hours at 20c	9 00
Fred Bates and 2 horses, 84 hours at 50c	42 00
Albion Snowdale, 140 hours at 20c	28 00
Jesse Reed and 2 horses, 6 hours at 50c	3 00
George H. Bates, 50 hours at 20c	10 00
James W. Studley, 157 1-2 hours at 20c	31 50
Samuel A. Lester, 9 hours at 20c	1 80
Samuel L. Brown, 174 hours at 20c	34 80
George H. Turner and 2 horses, 45 hours at 50c	22 50
E. Everett Jacobs and 1 horse, 97 hours at 33 1-3c	32 33
E. Everett Jacobs and 2 horses, 34 hours at 50c	17 00

E. Everett Jacobs, 72 hours at 20c	\$14 40
Charles Curtis, 54 hours at 20c	10 80
William O. Merritt and 1 horse, 53 hours at 33 1-3c	17 68
Guy S. Merritt, 80 hours at 20c	16 00
William Latour, 9 hours at 20c	1 80
O. D. Burhoff, 135 hours at 20c	27 00
Arthur Carr, 135 hours at 20c	27 00
Charles O. Keene, with man and horse, 90 hours at 53 1-3c	48 00
C. C. Merritt, 9 hours at 20c	1 80
Charles H. Bates, 95 hours at 20c	19 00
Joseph Totman, 22 hours at 20c	4 40
Alexander Black, 135 hours at 20c	27 00
Charles H. Wilder, 36 hours at 20c	16 20
Alpheus Damon, 7 hours at 20c	1 40
Bert Richardson, 113 hours at 20c	22 60
Edwin Damon, 113 hours at 20c	22 60
Harold Osborn, 36 hours at 20c	7 20
Henry W. Maine, 54 hours at 20c	10 80
Frank Damon, 36 hours at 20c	7 20
Edwin Loring, 5 hours at 20c	1 00
Henry Nichols, 11 1-2 hours at 20c	2 30
Charles Scully, 41 hours at 20c	8 20
Charles E. Brewster and 2 horses, 16 hours at 50c	8 00
Edward A. Jacobs and 2 horses, 27 hours at 50c	13 50
Francis E. Henderson and 2 horses, 193 hours at 50c	96 50
Francis E. Henderson, 120 hours at 20c	24 00
William S. Simmons and 2 horses, 76 hours at 50c	38 00
Walter Briggs, 44 hours at 20c	8 80
Richard Winslow, 41 hours at 20c	8 20

John P. Henderson and 2 horses, 36 hours at 50c	\$18 00
Henry C. Ford and 2 horses, 45 hours at 50c	22 50
William Gardner, 67 hours at 20c	13 40
Joseph H. Hatch and 2 horses, 27 hours at 50c	13 50
Amos H. Tilden, 8 hours at 20c	1 60
William R. Vinal and 1 horse, 9 hours at 33 1-3c	3 00
Edge for road machine	8 50
Mrs. J. A. Wallace, 13 loads of gravel at 6c	78
Burleigh Collins, 62 loads of gravel at 6c	3 72
Bela Jacobs' place, 219 loads of gravel at 6c	13 14
Walter Simmons, 101 loads of gravel at 6c	6 06
Mrs. Vesey, 70 loads of gravel at 6c	4 20
Benjamin Loring, 2 loads of gravel at 6c	12
Everett Winslow, 125 loads of gravel. at 6c	7 50
John T. Moody, 118 loads of gravel at 6c	7 08
Mrs. David Torrey, 13 loads of gravel at 6c	78
Mrs. G. E. Bates, 25 loads of gravel at 6c	1 50
James H. Barnard, 30 loads of gravel at 6c	1 80
Frank Thomas, 210 loads of gravel at 6c	12 60
W. A. Spaldin, 27 hours at 20c	5 40
S. A. Lester, 39 hours at 20c	7 80

C. W. Tilden, smith-work on road machine	\$7 60	
A. J. Litchfield & Sons, material for road machine	3 12	
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Total		\$2,623 37

HIGHWAY DISTRICT NO. 7.

F. E. Henderson, railing on Mill street	\$5 00	
F. E. Henderson, 1 day	2 00	
F. E. Henderson, cash paid to J. Chamberlain	1 30	
E. E. Stetson, drain pipe	2 94	
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		\$11 24

Removing Snow.

DISTRICT NO. 1.

George W. Griggs, snow plow,	\$4 50
Timothy Sheehan, man and 1 horse, 8 hours at 50c	4 00
Timothy Sheehan, man and 2 horses, 4 hours at 75c	3 00
Timothy Sheehan, 4 hours at 25c	1 00
Charles Scully, 4 1-2 hours at 25c	1 13
A. W. Thomas, 5 hours at 25c	1 25
G. W. Jones, 3 1-2 hours at 25c	87
O. W. Lambert, 4 1-2 hours at 25c	1 12
H. W. Penniman, 4 hours at 25c	1 00
G. H. Bates, 5 hours at 25c	1 25
E. L. Loring, 4 hours at 25c	1 00
W. Loring, 2 hours at 25c	50
James J. Farrar, 4 hours at 25c	1 00
W. H. Farrar, 4 hours at 25c	1 00
W. H. Farrar and 1 horse, 10 hours at 50c	5 00
W. G. Collamore, 1 hour at 25c	25
Daniel Barnes and 2 horses, 3 hours at 75c	2 25

\$30 12

DISTRICT NO. 2.

W. S. Briggs and 4 horses, 10 hours at \$1.25	\$12 50
W. S. Briggs and 2 horses, 12 hours at 75c	9 00
W. S. Briggs and 1 horse, 10 hours at 50c	5 00
E. C. Briggs, 12 hours at 25c	3 00
Walter Briggs, 6 hours at 25c	1 50
Charles F. Hammond, 2 hours at 25c	50
Benj. Loring and 1 horse, 4 1-2 hours at 50c	2 25
Benj. Loring and 2 horses, 2 hours at 75c	1 50
Benj. Loring and 4 horses, 3 hours at \$1.25	3.75
Benj. Loring, 3 hours at 25c	75
A. H. Loring, 3 hours at 25c	75
F. W. Pratt, 5 hours at 25c	1 25
E. E. Jacobs, 28 hours at 25c	7 00
Charles H. Wilder, 7 hours at 25c	1 75
Alpheus Damon, 6 3-4 hours at 25c	1 69
F. B. Cobbett, 2 1-2 hours at 25c	63
Alonzo Stoddard, 7 hours at 25c	1 75
Frank W. Jones, 4 hours at 25c	1 00
Chas. H. Baker, 7 hours at 25c	1 75
Andrew Clapp, 3 hours at 25c	75
Joshua Freeman, 3 hours at 25c	75
Wm. Hayden, 1 hour at 25c	25
H. F. Howard, 7 hours at 25c	1 75

 \$60 82

DISTRICT NO. 3.

Walter Simmons and 2 horses, 14 hours at 75c	\$10 51
Walter Simmons and 4 horses, 6 hours at \$1.25	7 50
Walter Simmons and 1 horse, 1 1-2 hours at 50c	75
Walter Simmons, 2 men and 4 horses, 2 hours at \$1.50	3 00
Walter Simmons, 1 man, 6 hours at 25c	1 50
Frank Pratt, 3 hours at 25c	75
Scot Osborn, 1 hour at 25c	25
H. Osborn, 1 hour at 25c	25
C. O. Litchfield and 2 horses, 7 hours at 75c	5 25
Chas. Stockbridge, 2 1-2 hours at 25c	63
Benj. Loring and 2 horses, 10 hours at 75c	7 50

 \$37 89

DISTRICT NO. 4.

J. H. Hatch and 2 horses, 14 hours at 75c	\$10 50
J. W. Hatch, 6 hours at 25c	1 50
Fred W. Gardner and 2 horses, 8 hours at 75c	6 00
Fred W. Gardner, 5 1-2 hours at 25c	1 37
Adolph Gardner, 8 hours at 25c	2 00

 \$21 37

DISTRICT NO. 5.

Guy Merritt and 1 horse, 3 hours at 50c	\$1 50
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Guy Merritt and 2 horses, 12 hours at 75c	\$9 00
Wm. O. Merritt, 8 hours at 25c	2 00
E. A. Jacobs and 2 horses, 8 hours at 75c	6 00
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	\$18 50

DISTRICT NO. 6.

Walter Jacobs, 6 hours at 25c	\$ 1 50
John W. Burns and 2 horses, 13 1-2 hours at 75c	10 13
John W. Burns, 4 hours at 25c	1 00
B. F. Burns, 3 hours at 25c	75
Edgar C. Hatch, 6 1-2 hours at 25c	1 63
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	\$15 01

DISTRICT NO. 7.

F. E. Henderson, 1 man and 2 horses, 6 1-2 hours at 75c	\$4 88
F. E. Henderson, 3 men and 3 horses, 3 hours at \$1.50	4 50
F. E. Henderson, 2 men and 2 horses, 7 hours at \$1.00	7 00
F. E. Henderson, 1 man and 1 horse, 19 hours at 50c	9 50
F. E. Henderson, 1 man, 17 hours at 25c	4 25
James W. Studley, 17 hours at 25c	4 25
J. H. Slinger, 6 hours at 25c	1 50
Fred Capill, 8 hours at 25c	2 00
S. C. Vinal, 8 1-2 hours at 25c	2 13
Chas. Smith, 9 hours at 25c	2 25

Lennie Dagan, 9 hours at 25c	\$2 25	
Jesse Winslow, 4 hours at 25c	1 00	
C. E. Barnard, 4 hours at 25c	1 00	
C. S. Dean, 1 1-2 hours at 25c	37	
Howard Packard, 11 hours at 25c	2 75	
Wm. Latour, 9 hours at 25c	2 25	
Albion Snowdale, 6 hours at 25c	1 50	
Robert Montgomery, 10 1-2 hours at 25c	2 63	
Robert Montgomery and horse, 1 hour	50	
Arthur Montgomery, 2 1-2 hours at 25c	67	
Warren Wrightington, 4 1-4 hours at 25c	1 06	
Alonzo Tolman, 1 1-2 hours at 25c	38	
		\$58 62
Total,		\$242 33

Report of the Overseers of the Poor.

ALMSHOUSE ACCOUNT.

Articles on hand Jan. 1		\$383 75
L. W. Orcutt, clothing	\$9 00	
Corthell Bros., meat, 2 years	103 79	
W. W. Cutler, meat	38 20	
H. S. Turner & Co., supplies	67 11	
F. M. Curtis & Co., supplies	138 58	
A. J. Litchfield & Son, supplies	107 66	
A. J. Litchfield & Son, grain	130 00	
W. F. Burrell, shoes	5 00	
John Menahon, dry goods,	25 62	
E. B. Tobey, dry goods	5 84	
Helen L. Fogg, wood	35 00	
George F. Welch, coal	94 69	
Samuel Olsen, fish	10 84	
A. A. Page, fish	11 08	
E. P. Joseph, ice	9 82	
Wm. H. Spencer, pigs	6 00	
Arthur I. Nash, pasture	10 00	
Frank Thomas, service of stock, 2 years	4 00	
Turner Bros., seeds	2 73	
George H. Turner, fertilizer	16 50	
Charles A. Berry, fertilizer	17 50	
Charles W. Tilden, smith-work	7 70	
Wm. D. Turner, mill work	75	
Wm. H. Spencer, repairs on pump	2 50	

J. H. Lehan, setting glass	\$ 50	
H. J. Little, M. D., medical attendance	6 00	
James H. Pinkham, cash paid for clothing	3 00	
George W. Griggs, expense taking O. Sylvester to State Board	2 00	
James H. Pinkham, salary for year	300 00	
James H. Pinkham, articles bought for cash	89 29	
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Total		\$1,644 45

J. H. PINKHAM'S ACCOUNT.

DR.

Cash on hand Jan. 1	\$20 24	
Articles sold	256 00	
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		\$276 24

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Articles bought	\$89 29	
Cash paid town Treasurer	170 24	
Cash on hand	16 71	
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		\$276 24

ALMSHOUSE RECEIPTS.

Cash on hand	\$20 24
Milk	97 11
Eggs	21 96
Potatoes	14 93

Strawberries	\$3 35
Fowl	15 92
Turnips	1 00
Onions	1 00
Hay	10 00
Summer Vegetables	16 13
Carrots	36 20
Mowing for G. W. Griggs	2 25
" " Amos Tilden	1 32
One-half hog, 2 calves, Corthell Bros.	24 08
One-half hog, A. I. Lincoln	10 75
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	\$276 24

ARTICLES ON HAND DEC. 31, 1903.

Two hogs	\$30 00
One horse	40 00
Two cows	75 00
Fifty fowl	25 00
Manure	20 00
Hay	108 00
Lumber	10 00
Potatoes	30 00
Onions	3 00
Turnips	1 00
Colored beans	3 00
Cabbages	1 50
Corn stalks	5 00
Mangolds	1 00
Carrots	1 00
Wood	18 00
Crackers	1 50
Flour	3 00
Grain	6 00
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	\$382 00

SUMMARY OF ALMSHOUSE ACCOUNT.

Total expenditure	\$1,644 45
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ALMSHOUSE CREDITS.

Articles sold	\$256 00
Articles on hand	382 00
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	\$638 00
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Total cost, including 54 tramps	\$1,006 45

OUT-DOOR POOR.

SARAH A. STUDLEY.

Cash for aid	\$52 00
C. H. Davie, M. D.	66 00
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	\$118 00

MRS. WILLIAM T. HUNT.

Town of Rockland, aid	\$10 95
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FRANK H. STODDARD.

Town of Rockland, aid	\$12 86
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E. C. LITCHFIELD'S CHILDREN.

Mrs. L. S. Grant, cash	\$62 00
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JAMES COSTELLO.

F. M. Curtis & Co., supplies	\$117 00	
C. L. Howes, medical attendance to March 2	83 50	
C. L. Howes, medical supplies	25 00	
	<hr/>	\$225 50

EDGAR LEE.

C. W. & E. H. Sparrell, burial of child	\$18 00	
H. J. Little, medical attendance	46 00	
	<hr/>	\$64 00

SARAH HARRIS.

Mass. Homeopathic Hospital, board	\$109 50	
H. J. Little, medical attendance	39 50	
	<hr/>	\$149 00

MARY ANN GARDNER.

John S. Brooks, supplies	\$52 68	
H. J. Little, medical attendance	35 00	
	<hr/>	\$87 68

MRS. STEPHEN THOMAS.

H. J. Little, medical attendance	\$1 00	
A. J. Litchfield & Son, supplies	98 64	
	<hr/>	\$99 64

E. E. GUNDERWAY.

A. J. Litchfield & Son, supplies	\$74 00
H. J. Little, medical attendance	14 00
A. L. MacMillan, medical attendance	33 50
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	\$121 50

DAVID GRIFFITH.

W. D. Turner, wood	\$28 00
Charles F. Keene, fitting wood	1 00
A. J. Litchfield & Son, supplies	38 86
E. M. Sexton, milk	14 70
Corthell Bros., meat	24 64
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	\$107 20

LORENZO CROMWELL.

H. J. Little, medical attendance	37 25
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HENRY W. WINSLOW.

H. J. Little, medical attendance	47 00
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BRIDGET SHEA.

State Hospital, board	146 00
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BELLA FREEMAN.

Worcester Insane Asylum, board	169 46
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MARY AGNES GARDNER.

Taunton Hospital, board	169 46
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BENJAMIN LEE AND FAMILY.

City of Brockton	\$50 98
Total	<u>\$1,678 48</u>

PERSONS HAVING SETTLEMENT IN
OTHER TOWNS.

L. L. PIERCE, Hanson.

Cash aid	\$40 00
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REUBEN S. GURNEY, Dana.

J. S. Brooks, supplies	\$5 00
Linscott & Bryant, supplies	5 39
Cash aid	5 00
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	\$15 39

JOSIAH W. CHAMBERLAIN, Holbrook.

Phillips, Bates & Co., coal	\$29 00
M. Little, supplies	106 00
A. L. MacMillan, medical attendance	42 75
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	\$177 75

CHESTER TAYLOR, Scituate.

H. S. Turner & Co., supplies	\$52 00
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LABAN R. BATES, Hull.

H. S. Turner & Co., supplies	\$17 00
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CLARENCE GARDNER, Duxbury.

Mrs. A. Snowdale, nurse	\$15 00
Wm. P. Grovestein, medical attendance,	30 00
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	\$45 00

BERNARD RANDALL, Duxbury.

H. S. Turner & Co., supplies	\$4 00
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C. E. McPHERSON, Canton.

A. J. Litchfield & Son, supplies	\$151 20
H. J. Little, medical attendance	5 25
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	\$156 45

WM. H. SEARS, Plymouth.

H. J. Little, medical attendance	\$1 00
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Total	\$508 59

GEORGE A. JACHMAN, State.

A. J. Litchfield, supplies	\$9 00
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Total from State	\$9 00

SUMMARY OF POOR ACCOUNT.

Total amount paid for out-door poor	\$2,196 07	
Net cost of poor at Almshouse	1,006 45	
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		\$3,202 52
Less amount refunded by towns and state		517 59
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		\$2,684 93

GEORGE W. GRIGGS,
 ALPHEUS THOMAS,
 HENRY D. SMITH,
 Overseers of the Poor.

Soldiers' Relief.

Paid — Town of Hanover	
Aid to Joanna Keene	\$231 78
Town of Rockland	
Aid to William Slason	7 50
Charles H. Totman, cash	25 00
John T. Hatch	
C. W. & E. H. Sparrell, burial	35 00

SOLDIERS' RELIEF TO PERSONS HAVING A SETTLEMENT IN OTHER TOWNS.

Lyman B. Fitts, Marshfield,	
Cash	\$32 00
Medical attendance	40 00
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	\$62 00
Benjamin K. Barrett, Whitman	\$75 00
John Chadwick, Oxford.	
Paid C. W. & E. H. Sparrell	\$35 00
Paid W. P. Grovestein, M. D.	25 00
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	\$60 00

Bradford Little, Dartmouth.		
Paid H. J. Little, M. D.		\$63 00
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		\$559 28
Due from State for soldiers' burial	\$70 00	
Due from other towns	225 00	
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		\$295 00
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		\$264 28

STATE AID PAID IN 1903.

Charles D. Barnard	\$48 00
David Bassford	58 00
Amanda Bassford	48 00
Lorenzo Bates	54 00
Benjamin K. Barrett	72 00
John Chadwick	30 00
Amanda Coleman	48 00
Abbie F. Coleman	24 00
Timothy B. Chapman	60 00
John Corthell	48 00
Josephine Corthell	16 00
Josiah W. Chamberlain	72 00
Maria B. Damon	48 00
Ensign B. Damon	48 00
Lucy Damon	36 00
Hannah Dover	24 00
Frank Dyer	16 00
Charles David	72 00
Daniel R. Ewell	72 00
Seth O. Fitts	60 00

Lyman B. Fitts	\$72 00
Mathias French	18 00
Reuben S. Gurney	24 00
Leander W. Grose	60 00
John T. Hatch	20 00
Sarah Hatch	48 00
George A. Hatch	60 00
Susan H. Higbee	8 00
John H. Howard	48 00
Wm. A. Knight	72 00
Bradford Little	48 00
Charles M. Leavitt	48 00
Wm. H. Morse	48 00
Wm. O. Merritt	48 00
Diana Pierce	48 00
Benjamin W. Prouty	4 00
Wm. H. Rand	60 00
David P. Robinson	36 00
Harriet Raymond	48 00
Mary Shepherd	48 00
Edwin Studley	48 00
Wm. E. Stone	25 00
Charles H. Totman	48 00
George O. Torrey	72 00
George T. Tolman	60 00
James W. Warner	9 00
James H. Williams	72 00
Albert Winslow	48 00
Esther M. Young	48 00

\$2,260 00

Approved by Commissioners, and due
from state.

Town Officers.

A. J. Litchfield, tax collector	\$225 00
George Cushing, auditor	20 00
Walter T. Osborn, constable	70 00
Walter T. Osborn, High street raid	11 25
George W. Griggs, selectman, assessor and overseer of the poor	150 00
Alpheus Thomas, selectman, assessor, and overseer of the poor	140 00
Henry D. Smith, selectman, assessor, and overseer of the poor	135 00
J. Warren Foster, inspector of animals	52 00
J. Warren Foster, constable	35 50
Mary E. Curtis, school committee	38 00
Benjamin Loring, school committee	25 00
Geo. C. Turner, school committee	22 23
E. E. Stetson, registrar of voters	15 00
J. H. Prouty, registrar of voters	15 00
C. A. Berry, registrar of voters	15 00
John Corthell, constable	10 00
John Corthell, posting warrants	9 00
E. E. Chamberlain, constable	29 00
W. E. Wilder, constable	10 00
Israel Hatch, school committee	12 50
Joseph F. Merritt, town clerk	53 50
Horace T. Fogg, treasurer	100 00
H. J. Little, board of health	15 20
Chas. Scully, election officer	3 00

John Whalen, election officer	\$3 00	
John Corthell, tree warden	35 80	
	<hr/>	\$1,250 48

TOWN HALL.

Horace T. Fogg, insurance	\$18 75	
Fred J. Croning, janitor	30 00	
A. J. Litchfield & Son, supplies	61	
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TREE WARDEN.

Paid Charles Tolman, trees	\$7 00	
Paid A. W. Pinson, trees	7 00	
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CEMETERY.

E. C. Briggs, labor	\$3 50	
Charles H. Lapham, labor	4 60	
John Brown, labor	3 60	
J. H. Sawyer, labor	1 80	
John A. Sawyer, labor	1 80	
J. L. Prouty, labor	3 60	
	<hr/>	\$18 90

Received from sale of lots, \$32.00.

STATE ROAD.

E. P. Joseph, surveyor, 63 1-3 days at \$2.50,	\$158 34
E. P. Joseph, men, 354 hours at 20c	70 80
E. P. Joseph, 3 horse team, 259 hours at 66 2-3c	172 66
E. P. Joseph, 2 horse team, 1126 hours at 50c	563 00
Clifford Brett and 2 horses, 449 hours at 50c	224 50
Tilon Williams and 2 horses, 149 hours at 50c	74 50
Henry C. Ford and 2 horses, 159 hours at 50c	79 50
William D. Turner and 2 horses, 97 hours at 50c	48 50
Fred W. Gardner and 2 horses, 456 hours at 50c	228 00
John C. Brown and 2 horses, 86 hours at 50c	43 00
James Greene and 1 horse, 468 hours at 33 1-3c	156 00
William Latour, 478 hours at 20c	95 60
Robert Smith, 90 hours at 20c	18 00
Charles Smith, 85 hours at 20c	17 00
Ernest Loring, 94 hours at 20c	18 80
S. A. Lester, 45 hours at 20c	9 00
Robert N. Leavitt, 54 hours at 20c	10 80
O. D. Burhoff, 111 hours at 20c	22 20
Carlton W. Pinson, 170 hours at 20c	34 00
John T. Hatch, 145 hours at 20c	29 00
James C. Smith, 18 hours at 20c	3 60
Henry L. Studley, 374 hours at 20c	74 80
Alexander Black, 386 hours at 20c	77 20

964 80
622 94
1587 76

224 50
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387 50

James W. Smith, 57 hours at 20c	\$11 40
Arthur Carr, 434 hours at 20c	86 80
Guy S. Merritt, 465 hours at 20c	93 00
Edward C. Jacobs, 21 hours at 20c	4 20
Seth O. Fitts, 85 1-2 hours at 20c	17 10
Charles O. Keene, 57 hours at 20c	11 40
Charles H. Bates, 368 hours at 20c	73 60
Leonard Winslow, 55 hours at 20c	11 00
George Ward, 41 hours at 20c	8 20
Patrick Galvin, 316 hours at 20c	63 20
Edward T. Wright, 203 hours at 20c	40 60
Bert Richardson, 36 hours at 20c	7 20
Carl Richardson, 36 hours at 20c	7 20
Joseph Totman, 151 hours at 20c	30 20
Harold Osborn, 108 hours at 20c	21 60
Timothy Dacey, 300 hours at 20c	60 00
Samuel L. Brown, 81 hours at 20c	16 20
Chester Fitts, 14 hours at 16 2-3c	2 33
James Greene, 1047 loads gravel at 6c	62 82
James Greene, 121 loads gravel at 3c	3 63
L. C. Hall, 8 days at \$2.50	20 00
L. C. Hall, oil and waste	35
L. C. Hall, board	6 00
Scituate Water Co.	10 40
Henry A. Baker, water cart	6 00
Geoge F. Welch, coal	18 75
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Total	\$2,921 98

TOWN INCIDENTALS.

C. W. & E. H. Sparrell, returning deaths (1902)	\$4 25
C. W. & E. H. Sparrell, returning deaths (1903)	6 75

Carrie M. Ford, printing	\$19 75
Ralph Burbank, expense at fire in Valley Swamp	1 50
Robert Babson, repairing ballot box	6 50
C. W. & E. H. Sparrell, flowers for Henry Norwell	25 00
B. H. Irving, printing town reports	90 00
Joseph F. Merritt, making returns to state	18 90
A. S. Peterson, account books	2 50
Alpheus Thomas, car fare and telephone	2 00
J. Frank Gear, formalin for Board of Health	6 00
C. S. Deane, surveying Church Hill land	8 00
F. M. Curtis & Co., stamps and stationery	13 66
A. E. Fish, expressing	6 30
Rockland Standard, printing	2 50
Hobbs & Warren, blanks	1 64
P. B. Murphy, dog blanks	2 50
Warren B. Wrightington, watching fire	2 00
Charles T. Leavitt, service of Hingham fire department	9 75
Austin Peters, stamp for Board of Health	1 75
Thomas Groome & Co., order books and tax books	14 00
Wakefield Daily Item, printing	1 00
Adams, Cushing & Foster, book for clerk	2 75
H. N. Magoun & Co., repairs to Delano Hill water pipe	4 05
Frank W. Jones, repairs to District No. 2 pump	1 00

Little, Brown & Co., town officer	\$4 00
Barry Printing Co., blanks	1 65
Barry Printing Co., voting lists	10 50
Helen L. Fogg, rent of safe	8 00
A. J. Litchfield, postage and stationery for Collector	14 79
Floretta Vining, printing notice rail- way hearing	4 00
Henry D. Smith, repairs to Delano Hill water pipe	1 50
F. H. Kidder, guide board Barstow avenue	75
County Commissioners, entry fee petition	3 00
Alden M. Beach, watching fire	2 00
James J. Farrar, labor at fire	1 20
Patrick Gammon, labor at fire	80
Andrew Stoddard, labor at fire	80
Joseph Griffin, labor at fire	80
Fred W. Farrar, labor at fire	80
W. W. Farrar, labor at fire	80
George C. Turner, burying horse	1 25
Town of Pembroke, seeding ponds	7 80
H. J. Little, M. D., return of births	1 75
O. H. Howe, M. D., return of births	75
C. L. Howes, M. D., return of births	1 00
Joseph Frame, M. D., return of births	75
A. J. Litchfield & Son, stationery	36
George S. Hatch, expressing	4 25
H. T. Fogg, legal services	18 00
Joseph F. Merritt, service at special meeting	3 00
Town of Marshfield, painting and care of Union bridge	16 82
Charles A. Berry, fertilizer for Common	9 00

Total

\$374 17

RECAPITULATION.

Taxes Abated	\$76 55
Highway expenditures	2,634 61
Snow expenditures	242 33
Town officers	1,250 48
Tree warden	14 00
Town hall	49 36
Town incidentals	374 17
Cemetery	18 90
Almshouse expenses	1,644 45
Aid to out-door poor	2,196 07
Soldiers' relief	559 28
State Aid	2,260 00
State road	2,921 98
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	\$14,242 18

CREDITS.

Refunded by the State	\$9 00
Refunded by towns	508 59
Almshouse credits	638 00
State Aid	2,260 00
Soldiers' relief	295 00
Cattle inspection, due from State	26 00
Cemetery, sale of lots	32 00
State, for road	1,000 00
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	\$4,768 59
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	\$9,773 59

Norwell, Jan. 23, 1904.

I have examined the accounts of the Treasurer, Selectmen and Collector and find them correctly cast and proper vouchers for all payments made.

GEORGE CUSHING, Auditor.

Financial Statement.

LIABILITIES.

Notes in favor of South Scituate Savings Bank	\$4,500 00
Notes in favor of the Coffin fund	2,000 00
Notes in favor of the Otis fund	1,300 00

ASSETS.

Due from —	
State, for State Aid	\$2,260 00
Towns, for aid to poor	508 59
Towns, for soldiers' relief	295 00
State, for inspection of cattle	26 00
Corporation and bank tax	406 80
Outstanding tax	10 66
Granderson mortgage	150 00
State, for aid to poor	9 00

List of Jurors.

A list of persons qualified to serve as jurors to be presented to the town for acceptance or revision.

James L. Litchfield	Farmer
Alpheus Damon	Grocer
Clifton S. Dean	Teacher
George F. Cate	Farmer
Arthur T. Stoddard	Shoe stitcher
L. Frank Hammond	Farmer
Francis E. Henderson	Teamer
Wallace H. Damon,	Farmer
Walter T. Osborn	Retired
Frank M. Vining	Shoemaker
Henry J. Tolman	Carpenter
Arthur C. Jones	Shoe cutter
Seth Foster	Retired
Edwin A. Turner	Hotel keeper
Amos H. Tilden	Farmer
Daniel W. Ross	Cabinet maker
Herbert E. Robbins	Bookkeeper
Tilon Williams	Farmer
George E. Torrey	Farmer
Walter C. Barnard	Provision dealer
Lebbeus Leach	Retired
George H. Tisdale	Foreman stitcher
George A. Turner	Carpenter
John F. Turner	Carpenter
Henry L. Nichols	Shoemaker

Trustees' Report.

TWENTY-SIXTH ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

TRUSTEES OF THE COFFIN POOR FUND.

Amount of Fund		\$2,000 00
Loaned on town note at 4 per cent.		
On hand Jan. 1, 1903	\$135 89	
Interest on bank book	3 70	
Interest on town note	80 00	
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		\$219 59
Paid for care of cemetery lot	5 00	
Paid worthy poor	89 00	
In bank Dec. 31, 1903	107 59	
Cash on hand Dec. 31, 1903	18 00	
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		\$219 59

EIGHTEENTH ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

TRUSTEES OF THE A. T. OTIS POOR FUND.

Amount of fund	\$2,000 00
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Loaned on town note	\$1,300 00	
In savings bank	700 00	
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On hand Jan. 1, 1903	134 97	
Interest on bank books	31 80	
Interest on town note	52 00	
	<hr/>	\$218 77
Paid worthy poor	46 00	
Paid inmates of almshouse	32 00	
In bank Dec. 31, 1903	140 77	
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EIGHTH ANNUAL REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES

OF THE

PRUDENCE C. DELANO CEMETERY FUND.

Amount of fund	\$300 00	
Interest on deposit January 1, 1903	49 37	
Interest on bank book	28 56	
	<hr/>	\$377 93
Paid for care of lot	\$14 50	
Interest on deposit January 1, 1904	63 43	
Fund on deposit January 1, 1904	300 00	
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SIXTEENTH ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

TRUSTEES OF THE JOSSELYN CEMETERY FUND.

Amount of fund	\$200 00	
Interest on deposit January 1, 1903	37 38	
Interest on bank book	9 58	
	<hr/>	\$246 96
Paid for care of lot	\$8 00	
Interest on deposit January 1, 1904	38 96	
Fund on deposit January 1, 1904	200 00	
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SIXTH ANNUAL REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES

OF THE

NANCY HERSEY CEMETERY FUND.

Amount of fund on deposit Jan. 1, 1903	\$100 00	
Interest on deposit Jan. 1, 1903	11 44	
Interest on bank book	4 48	
	<hr/>	\$115 92
Paid for care of lot	\$3 00	
Interest on deposit Dec. 31, 1903	12 92	
Fund on deposit December 31, 1903	100 00	
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FOURTH ANNUAL REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES

OF THE

BETSEY B. TOLMAN CEMETERY FUND.

Amount of fund	\$100 00	
Interest on bank book	4 04	
	<hr/>	\$104 04
Paid for care of lot	\$4 04	
Fund on deposit Jan. 1, 1904	100 00	
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TWELFTH ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

TRUSTEES OF THE SAMUEL C. CUDWORTH
CEMETERY FUND.

Amount of fund	\$200 00	
Interest on deposit Jan. 1, 1903	14 90	
Interest on bank book	8 66	
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Paid for care of lot	5 00	
Interest on deposit Jan. 1, 1904	18 56	
Fund on deposit, Jan. 1, 1904	200 00	
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EIGHTEENTH ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

TRUSTEES OF THE A. T. OTIS CEMETERY
AND TOMB FUND.

Amount of fund	\$1,500 00	
Interest on deposit Jan. 1, 1903	293 94	
Interest on bank books	72 44	
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Paid for care of lots	\$57 00	
Interest on deposit Jan. 1, 1904	309 38	
Fund on deposit Jan. 1, 1904	1,500 00	
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FIRST ANNUAL REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES

OF THE

GEORGE P. CLAPP CEMETERY FUND.

Amount of fund deposited April 18, 1903	\$100 00	
Interest on bank book	1 01	
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On deposit Jan. 1, 1904		\$101 01

GEORGE W. GRIGGS,
ALPHEUS THOMAS,
HENRY D. SMITH,
Trustees.

Transcript of Articles in the Warrant.

FOR THE ANNUAL MEETING, MARCH 7, 1904,
AT NINE O'CLOCK A. M.

Article 1. To choose a Moderator.

Article 2. To choose a Town Clerk.

Article 3. To hear and act on the report of the Town Clerk, Selectmen, Overseers of the Poor, Auditor, Collector and Treasurer.

Article 4. To choose all such town officers as the laws of the state and the by-laws of the town require.

Article 5. To bring in their votes "Yes" or "No" in answer to the question, "Shall licenses be granted for the sale of intoxicating liquors in this town for the ensuing year?"

Article 6. What amount of money will the town raise for the support of poor and incidental expenses.

Article 7. What sum of money will the town raise for the support of schools.

Article 8. What sum of money will the town raise for highway repairs.

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Article 16. What sum of money will the town appropriate for the payment of state and military aid.

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Article 18. What sum of money will the town raise for repairs of schoolhouses and incidentals.

Article 19. Will the town cause a statement of their financial affairs to be printed in February next.

Article 20. Will the town appropriate a sum of money to be expended in the cemetery on Washington street.

Article 21. Will the town cause a receiving tomb to be built in the cemetery, and raise and appropriate money for the same.

Article 22. What price will the town pay for labor on the highways for the ensuing year.

Article 23. Will the town change the name of the street leading from River street, at a point near the residence of Albert N. Farrar, to the Hanover line at "Winslow's bridge," from Mill street to Tiffany road.

Article 24. Will the town accept a legacy from Mary O. Robbins for the care of her lot in the cemetery at Norwell near the Unitarian church. Any part of the income from said legacy not used for the care of said lot, to be used for the benefit of the poor of the town.

Article 25. Will the town give any instruction to the town officers.

Article 26. Or act or do anything relative to the above.

Citizens desiring additional articles in the warrant will present them to the Selectmen on or before Feb. 20, 1904.

GEORGE W. GRIGGS,
ALPHEUS THOMAS,
HENRY D. SMITH,

Selectmen of Norwell.

Citizens' Caucus.

The citizens of the Town of Norwell are requested to meet at the Town hall, Norwell, on Friday evening, February 26, 1904, at 8 o'clock, to nominate town officers for the ensuing year and to transact any other business that may properly come before them.

PER ORDER OF THE SELECTMEN.

ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

SCHOOL COMMITTEE

OF THE

TOWN OF NORWELL

FOR THE YEAR 1903.

ROCKLAND:
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1904.

Report of the School Committee.

To the Citizens of Norwell.

At the annual town meeting in March, 1903, Mr. George C. Turner was elected a member of the School Committee for a term of three years. The Committee organized with Mr. Loring, Chairman, and Mrs. Curtis, Secretary.

SUPERVISION.

We are more than pleased that we have been able to retain the services of our popular Superintendent, Mr. C. A. Record. At the meeting of the joint committee of the towns of Hanover, Hanson, and Norwell, on April 11, 1903, he was unanimously re-elected and has served us, as heretofore, faithfully and well.

TEACHERS.

Miss Louise E. Ford, who had taught in our town for a number of years, resigned her position at the end of the fall term, and was succeeded by Miss Minnie G. Robbins, a graduate of our High school and of the Normal school at Framingham. Her work has been very satisfactory.

To our great regret, Miss Adella F. Nichols, sent in her resignation at the end of the school year and has been succeeded by Miss M. Abbie Packard of our town, a graduate of Hanover High school and the Quincy Training school. Miss Packard had been teaching the past year in Marshfield and her work with us has been of the best.

TRANSPORTATION.

As it was again the vote of the town to transport the pupils, the Committee gave the contracts to the following persons on routes and at prices named. Charles E. Brewster, from No. 1 to High School, \$12 per week. Wm. T. Lapham, pupils from District No. 2 to District No. 5 and back to High School, \$8.50 per week. James L. Litchfield, pupils from Nos. 4 and 6 to No. 5 Grammar School and back to No. 6 Primary School, \$10 per week. Mrs. E. L. Loring, pupils from No. 3 to District No. 5 and High School, \$10 per week. C. D. Barnard, No. 7 to High School, \$8 per week.

We feel sure that the transportation system has come to stay, as by that means, every pupil living at any great distance from the schoolhouse has no excuse for non-attendance, but is carried to and from school in comfortable conveyances, with careful drivers. But notwithstanding transportation and everything else that has been done for the pupils, the attendance in some of the schools is miserable. Cannot something be done to make parents and guardians realize the importance of keeping the children in school? Excuses are offered for non-attendance at school which would be considered ridiculous by these same parents did anyone offer them such excuses. We do not expect children to attend school if they are not able, but if they came every day when they were able, the attendance would be much better than now. We have arranged these transportation routes just the very best that we knew how, and in such a manner as to accommodate the greatest number of pupils. It is impossible, as you will readily understand, to pass everyone's house or to start at a time that will exactly meet everyone's approval. A large majority of the children who are transported are much better accommodated than when the district system was maintained. They attend school more regularly and do more and better work.

PUBLIC EVENTS OF THE-YEAR.

The annual Memorial Day exercises were held in the Unitarian church, as was the case last year, and were enjoyed very much by the large audience present.

Departing from our usual custom, the graduating exercises of the High school were held in the church at Assinippi, instead of at the Town hall, as heretofore. And, as it proved a very pleasant change, we shall continue the innovation, holding the exercises next year in the church at Norwell Center.

By invitation of the Rev. E. H. Keens, the graduating class listened to an excellent and practical baccalaureate sermon on Sunday, June 14, to which also the other members of the High school and friends were invited.

Other pleasant events of the year were the Christmas exercises which nearly every school held at the end of the fall term at which parents and friends are always welcome. We earnestly wish that more would avail themselves of these invitations. You have no idea how much it encourages both teacher and pupils to have an audience when they have worked hard to prepare the exercises.

We have now enrolled in our schools outside of the High school, 184 pupils and we employ eight teachers: these pupils could be taught better by five teachers if they were in one building. Just look at the salaries that would be saved, besides fuel, janitor's wages and repairs. We pay now for transportation nearly enough to transport all the pupils in town if they all went to the same building. You say, "Oh, we cannot let our children go so far from home to attend school." Why not? The children are well cared for. Times have changed—we cannot with the present state of affairs in our town maintain schools in every district. Your children are better accommodated than you were.

Even in cities, children do not always attend the schools nearest them by any means, but have to walk fully as far and farther in many cases than do our children.

Our primary teachers, to whose charge the little ones are entrusted, are as careful of their health and welfare as are the mothers.

With the graded schools of the present time a teacher has more time to study the needs of each scholar than was formerly the case when a teacher had an ungraded school of forty or more scholars, with classes in every study from kindergarten to High school work. In District No. 1 there are only thirty pupils in both schools, while in District No. 7 there are but twenty-nine. Cannot the townspeople see that something must be done, and that at once. We cannot afford to hire four teachers when two could do this work and more beside if our schools were only in one central building.

Let us take counsel together at the annual meeting and try to decide what can be done for the best interests of the schools of our town. Let us not go backward but forward in the matter of educating our children. Build one good building, place all the schools therein. In the beginning it will be an expense, but in the end we shall find that we have made a great advance in educational matters, and that our schools compare more than favorably with those of other towns of even larger size.

Respectfully submitted,

BENJAMIN LORING,
GEORGE C. TURNER,
MARY E. CURTIS,
School Committee of Norwell.

Expenditures.

EXPENDITURES CHARGEABLE TO THE APPROPRIATION.

For the winter term of ten weeks, 1903, but chargeable to the appropriation of 1902.

TEACHERS' SALARIES.

John A. Hunnewell	\$240 00
Mattie S. Wilder	105 00
A. Gertrude Jones	35 00
Adella F. Nichols	90 00
Sarah F. Richardson	90 00
Mary A. Schenck	80 00
Martha C. Scully	90 00
Marion G. Merritt	90 00
Minnie G. Robbins	80 00
Mrs. S. M. Butterick	90 00
Maria W. Tolman	90 00
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	\$1,080 00

SUPERVISION.

C. A. Record	\$150 00
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TRANSPORTATION.

Mrs. E. L. Loring	\$160 95	
L. F. Hammond	100 00	
James L. Litchfield	80 00	
Tilon Williams	10 00	
William T. Lapham	110 00	
E. E. Stetson	40 50	
	<hr/>	\$501 45

CARE OF ROOMS.

Clarence Joseph, No. 4, fall term, 1902	\$4 00	
Willie C. Tolman, No. 7, fall term, 1902	9 75	
Edwin W. French, No. 5, winter term, 1903	15 00	
Vincent Harriman, No. 1, winter term, 1903	10 00	
Seth O. Fitts, No. 6, winter term, 1903	4 00	
Willie C. Tolman, No. 7, winter term, 1903	8 50	
Clarence Joseph, No. 4, winter term, 1903	3 20	
Gertrude Leslie, No. 4, winter term, 1903	80	
F. J. Croning, High, winter term, 1903	30 00	
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EXPENDITURES CHARGEABLE TO THE
APPROPRIATION.

For Spring and Fall Terms, 1903.

TEACHERS' SALARIES.

John A. Hunnewell	\$630 00
Mattie S. Wilder	294 00

A. Gertrude Jones, drawing teacher	\$90 00
Adella F. Nichols, Dist. No. 1, Grammar	108 00
M. Abbie Packard " " 1, " "	128 00
Sarah F. Richardson " " 1, Primary	252 00
Mary A. Schenck " " 4, Mixed	252 00
Marion G. Merritt " " 5, Primary	252 00
Martha C. Scully " " 5, Grammar	268 00
Minnie G. Robbins " " 6, Mixed	252 00
Mrs. S. M. Buttrick " " 7, Grammar	252 00
Maria W. Tolman " " 7, Primary	252 00

\$3,030 00

CARE OF ROOMS.

Fred J. Croning, High School	\$125 00
Vincent S. Harriman, District No. 1	10 00
Bernard M. Scully, District No. 1	10 00
Gertrude Leslie, District No. 4	4 00
Willie E. Leslie, District No. 4	4 00
Edwin W. French, District No. 5	28 00
Wallace Henderson, District No. 6	8 00
Willie C. Tolman, District No. 7	18 85

\$207 85

FUEL AND FITTING.

Phillips, Bates & Co., coal	\$24 00
C. H. Baker, moving wood	1 50
Benjamin Loring, wood, as per contract	28 50
T. C. Sampson, wood, as per contract	32 00
Charles H. Totman, work on wood	16 50
D. W. Turner & Son, wood, as per contract	73 08
Henry C. Ford, sawing wood	26 00

John Whalen, wood	\$2 50	
Harold Sexton and Ralph Merritt, housing wood	3 15	
W. H. Briggs, labor on wood	3 50	
H. T. Fogg, wood, as per contract	8 78	
George F. Welch, coal	42 18	
W. E. Leslie, housing wood	1 50	
F. J. Croning, work on wood	2 00	
	<hr/>	\$265 19

SUPERINTENDENT.

Received from State	\$250 00	
Town appropriation	250 00	
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Paid C. A. Record		350 00
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		\$150 00

TRANSPORTATION.

James L. Litchfield	\$278 00	
Tilon Williams	36 00	
Mrs. E. L. Loring	314 74	
William T. Lapham	203 28	
E. E. Stetson	48 60	
C. E. Brewster	336 00	
C. D. Barnard	128 00	
A. E. Fish	4 00	
George B. Ellms	6 00	
Arthur C. Litchfield	12 00	
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BOOKS AND SUPPLIES.

J. L. Hammett Co.	\$48 73
American Book Co.	3 88
Wadsworth, Howland & Co.	59 84
Allen, Totman & Co.	98 13
Edward E. Babb & Co.	157 75
D. C. Heath & Co.	38 37
Samuel Ward Co.	21 75
Ginn & Co.	41 13
Miss L. A. Hicks	3 00
A. C. Boyden	1 80
Charles P. Sinnott	2 70
Silver, Burdett & Co.	7 20
Allyn & Bacon	3 50

 \$487 78

CLEANING SCHOOLHOUSES.

Mrs. Eva L. Winslow, District No. 7	\$9 00
Mrs. Mary A. Osborne, District Nos. 4 and 5	15 00
Mrs. Annie F. Scully, District No. 1	12 00
Seth O. Fitts, District No. 6	6 50
Fred J. Croning, High school	6 50

 \$49 00

SUPPLIES AND INCIDENTALS.

George F. Welch, blackboards (1902)	\$20 21
A. J. Litchfield & Son, supplies (1902 and 1903)	4 94
Harry S. Merritt, labor	4 80
C. L. Rice & Son, chairs, curtains, etc.	21 10

William H. Spencer, labor on stoves and materials furnished	\$20 85
William H. Spencer, repairing pump	3 50
D. W. Ross, labor and materials	21 75
William O. Merritt, labor	5 00
Cassius C. Merritt, labor at No. 4 and High	51 63
George F. Welch, lumber, etc.	65 87
John Whalen, freight, carting and labor at No. 4	9 19
John A. Loring, labor and materials	4 25
F. M. Curtis & Co., merchandise to the several schools	8 08
Georgé A. Turner, pump and setting, No. 4	7 00
Allen, Totman & Co., furniture for District No. 4	86 50
Thomas Barstow, labor and materials, No. 7	8 85
W. W. Wade, tuning and repairing piano, High	2 50
W. S. Simmons, labor at No. 7	2 10
Mattie S. Wilder, supplies for High school	1 15
C. M. Ford, printing and stationery	12 30
Benjamin Loring, cash paid for labor at Nos. 1, 5, 6 and High	4 00
John H. Sparrell, freight and carting	4 50
Francis E. Henderson, labor at No. 7	2 00
B. H. Irving, printing	10 00
J. H. Lehan, painting and glazing	27 39
Chandler Chair and Desk Co., furni- ture for High	53 25
C. H. Lapham, labor at No. 1	2 00
A. W. Robinson, labor at No. 1	1 00
Bernard M. Scully, supplies at No. 1	60

C. C. Merritt, water, District No. 4	\$2 00
F. J. Croning, water, lock and keys, High	3 60
Mary E. Curtis, postage and telephon- ing	4 37

HIGH SCHOOL FUND.

Besides the regular State school fund we have an extra State fund of \$300 for the sole benefit of the High school. Of this fund we have paid out as follows:

Ginn & Co., books	\$117 13
Roy P. Hatch, books	23 00
L. E. Knott Apparatus Co., apparatus	22 05
American Book Co., books	22 60
D. C. Heath & Co., books	7 90
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	\$192 68

AVAILABLE FUNDS FOR PRESENT YEAR.

Town appropriation	\$5,100 00
Dog tax	305 81
State Board of Charity	110 00
Received from the State on account of teachers' salaries	166 67
Town of Rockland, tuition	52 00
State school fund	526 34

Sale of desks	<u>\$1 00</u>
	\$6,261 82
Amount expended	<u>4,869 66</u>
	\$1,392 16
Expenses to April (estimated)	<u>1,786 00</u>
Deficit	\$393 84

Norwell, Jan. 13, 1904.

I have examined the accounts of the School Committee and find vouchers for all amounts paid.

GEORGE CUSHING, Auditor.

ABSTRACT FROM REGISTERS.

	WINTER TERM—1903.						SPRING TERM—1903.						FALL TERM—1903.					
	Number enrolled.	Average membership.	Average attendance.	Per cent. of attendance.	Number of tardy marks.	Number of visitors.	Number enrolled.	Average membership.	Average attendance.	Per cent. of attendance.	Number of tardy marks.	Number of visitors.	Number enrolled.	Average membership.	Average attendance.	Per cent. of attendance.	Number of tardy marks.	Number of visitors.
No. 1 Primary	17	15.33	12	77	3	16	17	15.25	14.57	.95	1	16	12	10.98	10.19	.93	14	44
No. 1 Grammar	21	13.01	16	88	0	11	20	18.65	17.98	.96	0	35	18	16.5	15.54	.94	0	28
No. 4 Mixed	30	26	19.66	76	46	10	27	24	21.33	.88	46	7	24	19.5	17.51	.89	24	43
No. 5 Primary	29	25.17	21.06	83	5	3	28	25	22.41	.89	7	18	29	27.81	25.86	.93	22	17
No. 5 Grammar	41	39.52	35.57	.90	13	12	42	36.48	34.6	.95	4	9	31	38.81	36.04	.93	7	23
No. 6 Mixed	17	15.39	12.45	.80	13	14	18	16.09	14.40	.89	4	11	18	29.39	27.59	.94	13	15
No. 7 Primary	21	20.23	15.4	.76	17	6	19	16.96	15.4	.91	12	19	18	17.93	17	.97	8	13
No. 7 Grammar	14	13.98	12.02	.88	1	1	14	13.45	12.55	.93	12	19	11	11	10.68	.97	1	13
High	43	41.9	38.5	.92	6	2	40	39.66	37.69	.95	5	12	38	53.87	51.47	.95	4	15

SCHOOLS.

Report of Superintendent.

To the School Committee : —

The lines of work followed in the schools during the past year have been identical with those pursued in previous years with few exceptions.

Five years ago the study of elementary algebra was introduced into the Grammar schools, as at that time the course in algebra at the High school was too brief and the conditions of the school prevented extension of time to the subject.

During the years that I have mentioned, conditions have been changing, so that within the past year we have been able to recast the course of studies for the High school and in so doing have arranged to extend the course in algebra, consequently the formal study of this subject has been taken from the work of the Grammar school, except what can be taught profitably in correlation with the study of arithmetic.

Some entertain a mistaken idea concerning the study of algebra. They class it among the so-called impractical subjects. No one denies that as far as actual business transactions of life are concerned, that there are portions of this subject studied in our schools, which seem useless. The same criticism can be made concerning portions of arithmetic. But in teaching the so-called essential portions of arithmetic and algebra we find that an understanding of some of these impractical portions frequently very

much assist the pupil to understand the essentials, therefore great care must be exercised in using the pruning shears.

Again, to return to the subject of changes.

When elementary algebra was taken from the Grammar schools, it was thought advisable to substitute in its place elementary book-keeping, which was then being taught at the High school.

The eighth grade of the Grammar school was considered the best place for this work, as there nearly every pupil in town would receive instruction in making out ordinary business forms, as bills, notes, and receipts, and in a simple form of accounts, a knowledge of which seems almost indispensable to every citizen of sound mind.

The High school did not seem as desirable a place for this subject as the Grammar school, principally for the reason that, occasionally, a pupil upon leaving the Grammar school does not attend the High, and some that enter the High remain but a short time.

A change has been made in the study of geography by the fifth grade.

It has been the custom to place some text-book in the hands of the pupil and require him to study and repeat, in most instances, parrot-like, what he found there, if he could read it.

This feature of our school work was discussed at a teachers' meeting last June, and all expressed the opinion that much time was lost while pursuing the subject, in Grade V, in the manner indicated; accordingly, it was decided to use in the fifth grade, hereafter, simple and interesting geographical readers, of which there are many, and to follow, in the formal study of geography, an outline comprised of subjects pertaining to the earth as a whole.

By the method previously pursued, the pupil in his sixth grade work was obliged to spend quite a portion of his time in going over the same ground covered during the fifth grade period. In the adoption of the present plan we hope

and expect to obviate this undesirable feature, except in a slight degree, which the necessity of reviews may entail.

THE HIGH SCHOOL.

It may fittingly be said of the High school that it is undergoing reconstruction.

The State has held out certain inducements to small High schools which we have accepted together with attending obligations. No matter what the apparent purposes and aims of other High schools are, it should be the purpose and aim of ours to give the boys and girls within its walls such training and instruction as shall best prepare them for the duties and responsibilities of citizenship. The school should be conducted in consideration of the ninety-nine that do not intend to go to college instead of the one that may go.

It is not my purpose to imply that the Norwell High school is being conducted too much on the plan of a "fitting" school, but to sound a word of warning, that when it issues from this reconstruction epoch it may emerge with correct purposes and aims. While the State demands that the school offer courses of study that will prepare pupils for colleges and scientific institutions, it does not demand that these courses be in constant operation, but that the school possess facilities that will accomplish certain results when certain lines of action are pursued.

The State has long realized the inability of small towns to maintain High schools that could offer such training and instruction as would raise the standard of citizenship, hence the enactment of legislation granting such towns financial assistance.

This aid is not given with the intent to lessen a town's obligation, but to enable it to improve the condition of its High school, which could receive but little in the line of improved facilities if dependent upon local taxation alone.

Thus the facilities of our own High school have been improved far more during the past year, than local support alone could have afforded.

As I have already stated, the purpose of the High school should be to train and instruct citizens, to develop the highest traits of manhood and womanhood, to discourage all pernicious tendencies.

In order to accomplish these ends, discrimination must be made in the nature of the work of different pupils. Nothing will more effectually defeat the purposes of a school than to have the work a misfit.

The work at the High school during the past term has been difficult for some of the pupils, but if the teachers and school officers can have the assistance of the confidence and co-operation of the parents, a proper adjustment will be effected and the work will not be beyond the capacity of any pupil who will give school his undivided attention.

Respectfully submitted,

C. A. RECORD.

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REPORT OF THE TOWN CLERK.

At the annual meeting of the qualified voters of the Town of Norwell held March 7, 1904, the following action was taken on the several articles contained in the warrant :

Article 1. To choose a Moderator.

Chose Alpheus Thomas Moderator.

Article 2. To choose a Town Clerk.

Chose Joseph F. Merritt Town Clerk.

Article 3. To hear and act on the report of the Town Clerk, Selectmen, Overseers of the Poor, Auditor, Collector and Treasurer.

Voted, that the reports rendered by these officers be accepted.

Article 4. To choose all such town officers as the laws of the State and the by-laws of the Town require.

The following officers were chosen by ballot :

Selectmen, Assessors and Overseers of the Poor, George W. Griggs, Alpheus Thomas, Ezra E. Stetson.

Treasurer, Horace T. Fogg.

Auditor, George Cushing.

Tree Warden, John Corthell.

School Committee for three years, Benjamin Loring.

Board of Health for three years, Dr. Harry J. Little.

Constables, Walter T. Osborn, J. Warren Foster, Alpheus Thomas, John Corthell, William E. Wilder, Everett E. Chamberlin.

Tax Collector, Andrew J. Litchfield.

Highway Surveyors. Voted to have three Highway Surveyors, one for each ward.

East Ward, Emanuel P. Joseph.

South Ward, Francis E. Henderson.

West Ward, Walter Simmons.

Field Drivers, Walter T. Osborn, J. Warren Foster, Alpheus Thomas, John Corthell, William E. Wilder, Everett E. Chamberlin.

Fence Viewers, Emanuel P. Joseph, Francis E. Henderson, Walter Simmons.

Cemetery Committee, George W. Curtis, Charles H. Lapham, Joseph H. Curtis.

Article 5. To bring in their votes "Yes" or "No" in answer to the question, "Shall licenses be granted for the sale of intoxicating liquors in this town for the ensuing year."

The polls were kept open one hour as required by law. Total number of ballots cast 120—"yes" 20, "no" 100.

Article 6. What amount of money will the town raise for the support of poor and incidental expenses?

Voted, to raise and appropriate \$2000 for the support of poor.

Voted, to raise and appropriate \$500 for incidental expenses.

Article 7. What sum of money will the town raise for the support of schools?

Voted, to raise and appropriate \$5000 for support of schools.

Article 8. What sum of money will the town raise for highway repairs?

Voted, to raise and appropriate \$2500 for highway repairs.

Article 9. What compensation will the town make for removing snow, and appropriate money for the same?

Voted, 25 cents per hour compensation, and to raise and appropriate \$500, and also to use the street railway excise tax as an appropriation.

Article 10. In what manner and time shall the taxes be collected the ensuing year?

Voted, that the taxes be collected as follows: That all taxes not paid Jan. 1, 1905, interest be charged at the rate

of 6 per cent.; after April 1, the Collector shall issue summons and proceed to collect all unpaid taxes, and that the money shall be paid to the Treasurer or a deposit made by the Collector for all unpaid taxes on or before July 1, 1905.

Voted, that the Collector have the same powers in the collection of taxes that he would have if he were also Town Treasurer.

Voted, that the salary of the Collector be \$225.

Article 11. Will the town accept the list of jurors prepared by the Selectmen?

George W. Curtis, Henry D. Smith and Willard Torrey were chosen a committee to revise the jury list.

Voted to accept the revised list.

James L. Litchfield

Alpheus Damon

George F. Cate

Arthur T. Stoddard

L. Frank Hammond

Francis E. Henderson

Wallace H. Damon

Walter T. Osborn

Henry J. Tolman

Arthur C. Jones

Seth Foster

Edwin A. Turner

Charles N. Gardner

Amos H. Tilden

Daniel W. Ross

Herbert E. Robbins

George E. Torrey

Walter C. Barnard

Lebbeus Leach

George H. Tisdale

John F. Turner

Charles D. Barnard

Joseph H. Corthell

William H. Spencer

Clifford A. Brett

Article 12. Will the town authorize the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to hire money in anticipation of taxes?

It was voted by a majority of the legal voters present and voting that the Treasurer be and hereby is authorized, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow during the present municipal year, in anticipation of the collection of taxes, such sums of money as may be necessary for the current expenses of the town, but not exceeding the total tax levy for said year, giving the notes of the town therefor, payable

within eighteen months from the date thereof. All debts incurred under the authority of this vote shall be paid from the taxes of the present municipal year.

Article 13. To hear and act on the report of any committee heretofore chosen.

The committee chosen to ascertain cost of building a receiving tomb reported that a suitable one could be built for \$500, and it was voted to accept their report.

The committee chosen to ascertain how the "Prudence C. Delano Fund" for benefit of poor children had been expended, reported progress made and it was voted to accept his report and have him make a further report later.

Article 14. To make allowance to town creditors.

No action taken under this article.

Article 15. What sum of money will the town appropriate for the use of Post 112, G. A. R., on Memorial day?

Voted, to raise and appropriate \$100.

Article 16. What sum of money will the town appropriate for the payment of State and Military Aid?

Voted, to appropriate \$2500.

Article 17. What sum of money will the town appropriate to pay the Superintendent of Schools?

Voted, to appropriate \$250.

Article 18. What sum of money will the town raise for the repairs of school houses and incidentals?

Voted, to raise and appropriate \$250.

Article 19. Will the town cause a statement of their financial affairs to be printed in February next?

Voted, that they do.

Article 20. Will the town appropriate a sum of money to be expended in the cemetery on Washington street?

Voted, to raise and appropriate \$100 to be used in said cemetery.

Article 21. Will the town cause a receiving tomb to be built in the cemetery and raise and appropriate money for the same?

Voted, that the cemetery committee be a committee to build a receiving tomb, and that they have it done by contract, and to borrow and appropriate \$500 for this purpose, the money received from the sale of lots to be used to pay the loan; and it was voted to authorize and instruct the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow the sum of \$500 for the term of five years, and give the necessary note of the town to secure the same.

Article 22. What price will the town pay for labor on the highways for the ensuing year?

Voted, to pay the same as last year, viz.: 20 cents per hour for labor, and the highway surveyors \$2.50 per day.

Article 23. Will the town change the name of the street leading from River street, at a point near the residence of Albert N. Farrar, to the Hanover line, at "Winslow's Bridge," from Mill street to Tiffany Road?

Voted, that the Selectmen be authorized to make the necessary change.

Article 24. Will the town accept a legacy from Mary O. Robbins for the care of her lot in the cemetery at Norwell, near the Unitarian church, any part of the income from said legacy not used for the care of said lot, to be used for the benefit of the poor of the town.

Voted, that the Selectmen be instructed to accept the bequest as trustees for the Town and that the Town Clerk make a record of the clause, in will, in which bequest is made.

Article 25. What action will the town take in regard to a new school house, and raise or appropriate money for the same?

Voted, not to appropriate money to build school house.

Article 26. Will the town appropriate a sum of money to complete the sidewalk on River street, near the school house in District No. 7?

Voted, to instruct the Highway Surveyor in the south ward to complete the above named sidewalk this season.

Article 27. Will the town raise a sum of money to repair the town landing near Union bridge.

Voted, to pass over.

Article 28. Will the town take any action in regard to the celebration of "Old Home week," and appropriate money for the same?

Voted, to pass over.

Article 29. Will the town pay a bounty on woodchucks killed in town and appropriate money for that purpose?

Voted, to pay a bounty of 25 cents per head on woodchucks and that the Selectmen be authorized to receive both heads and tails of woodchucks and pay bounty.

Article 30. Will the town rebuild the road on River street, from the residence of Charles David to the top of Delano hill, with a sidewalk on one side, and appropriate money for the same.

Voted, that the Selectmen be instructed to petition the county commissioners to view the above piece of road, re-locate and widen the same where necessary.

Article 31. Will the town give any instructions to town officers?

Voted, that the cemetery committee be authorized to allow townspeople purchasing lots in the cemetery one year in which to pay for them, all others to be required to pay cash.

Voted, to instruct the Highway Surveyors to act as a board and spend the money where, in their judgment, it is most needed.

Voted, that the Treasurer be authorized to pay orders on the signatures of two members of the School Committee without referring to the Selectmen.

Voted, that the Town Clerk make a record of all bequests to the Selectmen, as trustees for the town, in a book to be used for this purpose.

Voted, that the Selectmen be instructed to draw an order to pay the Clerk what they consider his services in carrying out this vote to be reasonably worth.

Article 32. Or act, or do anything relative to the above.

The two fish rights were sold at auction, bringing \$3.50 and \$4.50. The purchaser was Charles S. Tilden.

Voted, that the secretary of the School Committee receive \$50, and the other members be paid not more than \$25 each.

Voted, that all taxes be assessed on the polls and estates of residents and on the estates of non-residents.

Voted, to pay the Moderator \$5 for his services this day.

Voted, that meeting be dissolved.

Attest: JOSEPH F. MERRITT, Town Clerk.

STATE ELECTION.

Pursuant to a warrant, duly executed, the qualified voters of the Town of Norwell met at the Town Hall, Tuesday, November 8, 1904. The polls were opened at 6 A. M. and closed at 12 M. The whole number of ballots cast was 218, and on being counted in open meeting were found to be as follows.

ELECTORS OF PRESIDENT AND VICE PRESIDENT.

Corregan and Cox, Socialist Labor	0
Debs and Hanford, Socialist	1
Parker and Davis, Democratic	46
Roosevelt and Fairbanks, Republican	151
Swallow and Carroll, Prohibition	1
Watson and Tibbles, Peoples Party	0
Blanks	19

GOVERNOR.

John Quincy Adams, Socialist	0
John L. Bates, Republican	120
Michael T. Berry, Socialist Labor	0
Oliver W. Cobb, Prohibition	1

William L. Douglas, Democratic	89
Blanks	8

LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR.

Olof Bokelund, Socialist	2
John C. Crosby, Democratic	58
Frank P. Dyer, Prohibition	4
Curtis Guild, Jr., Republican	135
Moritz E. Ruther, Socialist Labor	1
Blanks	18

SECRETARY.

James A. Bresnahan, Socialist Labor	0
Fannie J. Clary, Prohibition	2
Charles C. Hitchcock, Socialist	2
Henry B. Little, Democratic	43
William M. Olin, Republican	144
Blanks	27

TREASURER.

Hubert C. Bartlett, Socialist	1
Arthur B. Chapin, Republican	145
Edmund D. Codman, Democratic	44
Andrew Mortensen, Socialist Labor	0
Willard O. Wylie, Prohibition	2
Blanks	26

AUDITOR.

Charles E. Burnham, Prohibition	3
Walter J. Hoar, Socialist Labor	0
Charles Stevens, Socialist	2
Francis X. Tetrault, Democratic	43
Henry E. Turner, Republican	140
Blanks	30

ATTORNEY-GENERAL.

Henry M. Dean, Prohibition	3
John P. Leahy, Democratic	41

Herbert Parker, Republican	145
John Weaver Sherman, Socialist	2
Thomas Stevenson, Socialist Labor	1
Blanks	26

REPRESENTATIVE IN CONGRESS (14th DISTRICT.)

Thomas H. Buttimer, Democratic	55
Charles H. Coulter, Socialist	3
Sherman E. Ellis, Prohibition	6
William C. Lovering, Republican	134
Blanks	20

COUNCILLOR (1st DISTRICT.)

Herbert L. Chipman, Prohibition	4
Roland C. Nickerson, Republican	137
Joseph R. Smith, Socialist	2
Blanks	75

SENATOR (1st PLYMOUTH DISTRICT.)

Charles B. Gaffney, Prohibition	3
William S. Kyle, Republican	143
Henry N. Magoun, Democratic	45
Flavel S. Thomas, Socialist	1
Blanks	26

REPRESENTATIVE IN GENERAL COURT.

(SECOND PLYMOUTH DISTRICT.)

Charles M. Harlow, Democratic	43
Joseph Sherman, Republican	142
Blanks	33

COUNTY COMMISSIONER. (PLYMOUTH.)

David Burke, Socialist	0
Walter H. Faunce, Republican	144
Jacob Hersey, Prohibition	3
Nathaniel Morton, Democratic	42
Blanks	29

COUNTY COMMISSIONER. (PLYMOUTH—VACANCY.)

Jere B. Howard, Republican	133
Harry Morgan, Democratic	38
George W. Severance, Prohibition	3
Zoel Thibadeau, Socialist	0
Blanks	44

ASSOCIATE COMMISSIONERS. (PLYMOUTH.)

Francis Chamberlin, Prohibition	1
Israel H. Hatch, Prohibition	3
Isaac M. Jackson, Democratic	36
Walter M. Snow, Democratic	34
Albert Sprague, Republican	126
Harry D. Stewart, Socialist	0
Ezekiel R. Studley, Republican	102
Matthew Teehan, Socialist	0
Blanks	134

DISTRICT ATTORNEY. (SOUTHEASTERN DISTRICT.)

Asa P. French, Democratic, Republican	154
John McCarty, Socialist	2
Blanks	62

SHERIFF. (PLYMOUTH COUNTY.)

Bartholomew Ford, Socialist	1
John J. Ford, Democratic	52
Edward G. Knight, Prohibition	3
Henry S. Porter, Republican	138
Blanks	24

CLERKS' CONVENTION.

At a meeting of the Town Clerks of the towns comprising the Second Plymouth Representative District held Nov. 18, 1904, at the clerk's office in Marshfield, the vote for representative in the district was found to be as follows :

Whole number of ballots	1361
Charles M. Harlow, Democratic	264
Joseph Sherman, Republican	812
Blanks	285

Joseph Sherman, having a plurality of votes, was declared to be elected and his certificate made out in accordance therewith.

REGISTERED VOTERS.

At the close of registration Oct. 29, 1904, there were 366 male voters and 3 female voters on the lists.

ENROLLED MILITIA.

Number of men enrolled for military duty, 229.

DOGS LICENSED.

The number of dogs licensed during the year ending Dec. 1, 1904, was as follows :

Male,	131
Female,	19
Special Breeders' License,	1

MARRIAGES RECORDED DURING YEAR 1904.

- Jan. 4. At Swampscott, Alfred F. Hatch and Ethel May Bellamy, both of Norwell, by Rev. Richard E. Armstrong.
- Jan. 16. At Cohasset, Bert Irving Richardson of Norwell and Hattie Whitcomb of Cohasset, by Rev. Frank Park.
- Mar. 14. At Norwell, Harry E. Ingraham of West Springfield and Mary A. Bailey of Norwell, by Rev. Melvin S. Nash.
- Mar. 27. At North Scituate, Henry Leonard Munnis and Berlada Laura Shaw, both of Norwell, by Rev. Arthur W. Cleaves.
- April 10. At Cohasset, Chester Howard Pratt of Norwell and Edna E. Burbank of Cohasset, by Rev. Frank Park.
- April 29. At Norwell, Charles Thomas Fish of Norwell and Fanny Priscilla Delano of Rockland, by Rev. Edward H. Keens.
- May 18. At Hingham, Arnold V. Beach of West Acton and Carrie Louisa Turner of Norwell, by Rev. Charles E. Park.
- June 20. At Norwell, Harry Dean Sampson of Hyde Park and Mary Augusta Schenck of Norwell, by Rev. Albert Bryant.
- June 26. At Hanover, Arthur Francis Henderson and Florence Sheldon Barker, both of Norwell, by Rev. Melvin S. Nash.
- Aug. 18. At Plymouth, Lester Wright Osborn of Norwell and Edith Mary Needham of Duxbury, by Rev. James F. Bullitt.
- Aug. 28. At Cohasset, William Edward Sexton and Katherine Frances Morrisy, both of Norwell, by Rev. William R. Cole.

- Sept. 14. At Norwell, Joseph Foster Merritt and Alice Gertrude Church, both of Norwell, by Rev. Clayton E. DeLaMater.
- Sept. 20. At Norwell, Samuel Austin Poole and Mary Jane Winsor, both of Hanover, by Rev. Edward H. Keens.
- Oct. 3. At Cohasset, Levi Nelson Osborne, Jr., of Norwell and Leonora I. Marten of Scituate, by Rev. Frank Park.
- Nov. 2. At Norwell, Stanley Washburn Oakman of Marshfield and Mary Elizabeth Gardner of Norwell, by Rev. James Lade.
- Nov. 23. At Norwell, Archie Ellsworth Fish and Clara Louise Cochran, both of Norwell, by Rev. Edward H. Keens.
- Dec. 1. At Norwell, Morrill Allen Phillips of Hanover and Addie Bicknell Wade of Boston, by Rev. Levi W. Staples.

BIRTHS REGISTERED IN NORWELL DURING THE YEAR 1904.

DATE OF BIRTH.	NAME OF CHILD.	NAME OF PARENTS.	MAIDEN NAME OF MOTHER.
January 13,	Illegitimate	A. Chapin and Josie A.	Prouty.
14,	Donald Chapin Tisdale	Stanley and Muriel E.	Bayley.
March 5,	Griffin	Joseph and Annie	McManus.
27,	Jonathan Mayers	Frank S. and L. Carrie	Osborne.
4,	Staples	L. Austin and Mabel G.	Pinkham.
8,	Helen Gertrude Lincoln	Arthur and Theresa	Davis.
19,	Gertrude May Pratt	George S. and Anna	Burget.
31,	Hel-n Louise Hatch	Charles H. and Mamie	Lovejoy.
June 4,	Lincoln Simeon Bates	James and Rebecca	Brown.
25,	John Franklin Costello	Henry C. and Lulu	Tilden.
July 19,	Eleanor Frances Ford		
August 14,	Stillborn	Henry W. and Nellie M.	Hammond.
25,	Ethel May Bates	George A. and Lillian	Elliott.
October 30,	Gladys Jackman	Horace T. and Isabella	Faulkner.
November 2,	Faulkner Fogg		
December 12,	Stillborn		
29,	Dorothy Marion Appleford	William H. and Edith B.	Capell.
1903.			
April 26,	John Alfred Litchfield	Alfred C. and Margaret	Edwards.

Blanks for the returns required to be made by physicians and parents may be obtained by applying to the Town Clerk.

DEATHS REGISTERED IN NORWELL DURING THE YEAR 1904.

DATE.	NAME.	AGE.	CAUSE OF DEATH.	BIRTHPLACE.	PLACE OF DEATH.
		Y. M. D.			
Jan. 8	George Dyer	80	Cerebral hemorrhage.....	Quincy	Boston
9	Bradford Little.....	74	Fatty degeneration of heart.....	Dartmouth	Norwell
Feb. 20	Charles Laurence Smith.....	4	Broncho pneumonia.....	Norwell	"
March 25	Alice L. Merritt (Clapp).....	50 7 4	Valvular disease of heart.....	So. Scituate	"
30	James W. Sampson.....	76 1	Disease of liver and gall bladder.....	Scituate	"
31	Jonathan Mayers.....	4	Umbilical hemorrhage.....	Norwell	"
May 7	Edward C. Jordan.....	52 24	Accident.....	Nova Scotia	"
12	— Staples.....	8	Hemorrhage of bowels.....	Norwell	"
19	Charles H. Kibby.....	53	Apoplexy.....	Chelsea	"
June 2	Wallace M. Shaw.....	69 5	Suicide by shooting.....	Cumington	"
4	Martha M. Poole (Young).....	51 10 4	Miliary tuberculosis..... [heart	Hingham	"
14	Olive Elizabeth Eastman (Woodsum)	75 7	Hypostatic pneumonia from weak	Boston	"
July 7	John C. Brown.....	64 1	Tuberculosis of lungs.....	"	"
16	Williams B. Brooks.....	90 8 7	Senile gangrene.....	Camden, Me.	"
August 12	Alfred Reed Ellms.....	8 3	Ptomaline poisoning.....	Boston	"
16	Jacob L. Waters.....	63	Cancer.....	Scituate	"
23	Franklin Litchfield.....	65	Pneumonia.....	"	Waltham
27	Lucy J. Lapham (Farrar).....	71 2 18	Cancer of liver..... [ease	"	Norwell
Oct. 1	William A. Knight.....	68	Injury to abdomen and heart dis-	Salem	"
6	Flora May Goddard (Keene).....	27 10	Surgical operation for hernia to cele	Summer, Me.	"
11	Joseph Merritt.....	84 10 5	Enteritis.....	Scituate	"
14	Joseph H. Hackett.....	71 2	Pneumonia.....	Maine	"
18	George Chauncey H. Litchfield.....	27 14	Internal injury from fall.....	So. Scituate	Quincy
Nov. 13	Thomas Mee.....	69	Tuberculosis of lungs.....	Ireland	Norwell
21	Mildred Albee.....	2 10	Group and pneumonia.....	"	"
Dec. 8	Peleg Curtis.....	86 1 20	Nephritis.....	Scituate	"
15	Charles N. Duncan.....	96 9 9	Softening of brain.....	New York	"

Number of marriages, 17; number of births, 18; number of deaths, 27.

Respectfully submitted, JOSEPH F. MERRITT, Town Clerk.

REPORT OF THE TOWN TREASURER.

Horace T. Fogg, Treas., in account with Town of Norwell.

DR.

To cash on hand January 21, 1904,	\$3,441 72
Dog tax, 1903, refunded,	323 20
Income Massachusetts School Fund,	929 86
Refunded by the Commonwealth :	
Corporation tax,	2,184 95
National Bank tax,	808 06
Support of State paupers,	9 00
Inspection of Animals,	17 00
Education of Children,	146 50
State Aid,	2,260 00
Street Railway tax,	251 90
Tuition of children in small towns,	300 00
State Board of Education,	416 66
Refunded by Towns :	
Town of Holbrook, aid,	177 75
Town of Canton, aid,	156 00
Town of Whitman, aid,	75 00
Town of Scituate, aid,	52 00
Town of Duxbury, aid,	49 00
Town of Marshfield, aid,	72 00
Town of Hull, aid,	17 00
Town of Plymouth, aid,	1 00
Town of Dartmouth, aid,	38 50
Personal aid refunded,	17 00
Board of Mary L. Bowker refunded,	42 71

Sale of lots in cemetery,	\$30 00
Charles S. Tilden, fish rights,	8 00
Charles A. Bates, mortgage on Granderson place,	150 00
Charles A. Bates, interest,	7 50
Second District Court, fines,	115 45
Harry S. Merritt, license,	2 00
Lester W. Osborn, licenses,	8 00
Otis H. Perry, license,	2 00
J. H. Pinkham, Supt. of Almshouse,	233 00
Board of Thomas Mee at Almshouse,	40 80
Overdrafts repaid,	4 10
South Scituate Savings Bank, anticipation notes,	7,000 00
Interest on temporary deposit,	35 90
Old Colony Street Railway, excise tax,	211 43
A. J. Litchfield, Collector, taxes of 1904,	11,094 21
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	\$30,729 20

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By cash paid on orders of Selectmen and School Committee,	\$18,995 91
Post 112, G. A. R., by vote of town,	100 00
Police Officers and Constables, Second District Court,	145 75
South Scituate Savings Bank, on account of anticipation notes,	5,000 00
South Scituate Savings Bank, interest on anticipation notes,	154 33
South Scituate Savings Bank, interest on time loan,	182 50
Interest on Coffin Poor Fund note,	80 00
Interest on A. T. Otis Poor Fund note,	52 00
County Treasurer, on account North	

River Bridge, .	\$50 00
Scituate tax,	5 00
County tax,	1,471 44
State tax,	975 00
Cash on hand, to balance	3,517 27
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	\$30,729 20

Respectfully submitted,

HORACE T. FOGG, Treasurer.

TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT.

Andrew J. Litchfield in account with the Town of Norwell :

DR.

To assessment of 1904	\$14,365 29
To excise tax of 1904	211 43
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	\$14,576 72

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By excise tax paid treasurer	\$211 43
By cash paid treasurer	11,094 21
1904 taxes outstanding	3,271 08
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	\$14,576 72

Respectfully submitted,

ANDREW J. LITCHFIELD, Collector.

TAXES ABATED.

F. E. Adams	\$3 45
J. H. Costello	2 00
Charles David	4 03
J. C. Durnin	2 00

Ernest Daigle	\$2 00
Elmira C. Griswold	3 12
Paul H. Hussey	2 00
James B. Kuapp	3 45
Robert A. McKee	2 00
Mrs. John R. Smith	7 25
Samuel C. Vinal	2 00
Alden Briggs	08
H. Melissa Cushing	08
Anthony Collamore Estate	08
Joshua Studley	08
Michael Sylvester	08
Joseph Thompson	08
Sophia Turner	08
J. H. Whitman	08
George Ainslie	2 00
Robert Armstrong	2 00
Benjamin Briggs	12 30
Quincy Baker	2 00
David H. Bates	3 02
Henry Bates	2 00
Fred B. Cobbett	2 00
George A. Jackman	2 00
Charles F. Keen	2 00
Herbert D. Lombard	2 00
Bradford Little	2 58
Ashburton W. Pincin	7 37
Bernard Randall	2 00
John Ryan	2 00
Mrs. Mary Shepherd	7 25
Phœbe Turner	2 90
Samuel A. Ward	2 73
George H. Damon	87
L. C. Sylvester	08
Walter L. Boynton	2 00
George H. French	2 00

Lucy Gunderway Estate	\$4 86
Charles J. Harriman	2 00
John H. Howard	2 87
James F. Crocker	2 00
Emery Winslow	2 00
C. S. Merritt	2 00
Joseph Meyers	2 00

\$114 77

ASSESSORS' REPORT.

Value of buildings	\$465,173 00
Value of land	230,366 00
Value of personal property	141,744 00
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	\$837,283 00

State tax	\$975 00
County tax	1,471 44
Town tax	11,450 00
Over-layings	461 24
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Total tax	\$14,357 68

Street railway excise tax	\$211 43
Assessors' warrant to collector	14,365 29
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	\$14,576 72

Rate of taxation, per thousand \$16.00
Number of polls assessed, 480
Paying poll tax only, 129
Horses assessed, 378
Cows assessed, 223
Sheep assessed, 31
Swine assessed, 77
Fowl assessed, 5,871
Number of dwelling houses assessed, 453
Number acres of land assessed, 12,015

HIGHWAY.

EAST WARD.

E. P. Joseph, labor 1903, not drawn	\$9 33
14 days at \$2.50	35 00
One man and two horses, 3 hours at 50c	1 50
One man and four horses, 36 hours at 83 1-3c	30 00
One man, 99 hours at 20c	19 80
One man and one horse, 36 hours at 33 1-3c	12 00
One man and two horses, 54 hours at 50c	27 00
Two men and four horses, 72 hours at \$1.00	72 00
Three men and six horses, 27 hours at \$1.50	40 50
Four men and eight horses, 18 hours at \$2.00	36 00
One man, 621 hours at 20c	124 20
Removing stones in south ward	6 00
Amos H. Tilden, 9 hours at 20c	1 80
John F. Moody and two horses, 40 hours at 50c	20 00
261 loads of gravel at 6c	15 66
Alex. Black, 125 hours at 20c	25 00

George Vinal, gravel	\$2 36
George F. Vinal, drain pipe	3 00
Frank L. Thomas, 91 loads gravel at 6c	5 46
Charles M. Leavitt, 35 hours at 20c	7 00
J. Frank Turner, 18 hours at 20c	3 60
R. W. McDonald, sharpening tools	2 00
Chester Fitts, 18 3-4 hours at 20c	3 75
Harold Osborne, 99 hours at 20c	18 90
Fred Gardner and two horses, 54 hours at 50c	27 00
Ernest Henderson, 27 hours at 20c	5 40
George H. Turner, working on road	2 13
George H. Turner and two horses, 72 hours at 50c	36 00
Elwood Ainslie, 45 hours at 20c	9 00
Harry Ainslie, 37 1-2 hours at 20c	7 50
Ralph Merritt, 148 hours at 20c	29 60
John Whalen, 99 hours at 20c	19 80
Caleb D. Litchfield, 72 hours at 20c	14 40
Henry C. Ford and two horses, 18 hours at 50c	9 00
John W. Burns and two horses, 62 hours at 50c	31 00
Joseph Hatch and two horses, 49 hours at 50c	24 50
Carlton Litchfield and two horses, 36 hours at 50c	18 00
Jesse Reed and two horses 71 hours at 50c	35 50
Ernest Merritt, 9 hours	1 50

\$793 09

SOUTH WARD.

F. E. Henderson, 19 1-2 days at \$2.50	\$48 75
Two men and four horses, 89 1-2 hours at \$1.00	89 50
One man and two horses, 128 hours at 50c	64 00
One horse, 38 1-2 hours at 16 2-3c	6 42
One man, 50 1-2 hours at 20c	10 10
Two horses, 40 hours at 33 1-3c	13 34
One man, 14 7-8 hours at 20c	2 97
W. S. Simmons, one man and two horses, 40 hours at 50c	20 00
W. O. Merritt, one man and two horses, 50 hours at 50c	25 00
E. A. Jacobs, one man and two horses, 32 hours at 50c	16 00
E. E. Stetson, one horse, 135 hrs. at 16 2-3c	22 48
20 hours mowing bushes at 20c	4 00
W. C. Barnard, one man and one horse, 58 1-2 hours at 33 1-3c	19 34
Charles Smith, one man and one horse, 64 hours at 33 1-3c	21 30
One horse, 31 1-2 hours at 16 2-3c	5 25
I. D. Chenervert, one man and one horse, 53 hours at 33 1-3c	17 67
George Lee, one man and one horse, 36 hours at 33 1-3c	12 00
R. Montgomery, one man and one horse, 4 hours at 33 1-3c	1 33
W. R. Smith, 126 1-2 hours at 20c	25 30
James Studley, 303 hours at 20c	60 60
Charles Simmons, 224 1-2 hours at 20c	44 90
Robert McKee, 251 hours at 20c	50 20
Howard Packard, 175 hours at 20c	35 00
Richard Winslow, 227 hours at 20c	45 40

R. C. Henderson, 139 1-2 hours at 20c	\$27 90
Robert Smith, 39 hours at 20c	7 80
Charles Smith, 87 1-2 hours at 20c	17 50
William Sylvester, 18 hours at 20c	3 60
Albion Snowdale, 199 hours at 20c	39 80
John Knapp, 25 hours at 20c	5 00
Walter Briggs, 27 hours at 20c	5 40
D. Chenervert, 53 hours at 20c	10 60
Allan Rand, 32 hours at 20c	6 40
William Sexton, 32 hours at 20c	6 40
Thomas Jordan, 32 hours at 20c	6 40
William O. Merritt, 18 hours at 20c	3 60
Gilbert West, 277 loads gravel at 6c	16 62
Everett Winslow, 87 loads gravel at 6c	5 22
Mrs. Emma Bates, 132 loads gravel at 6c	7 92
A. J. Litchfield & Son, six shovels at 85c	5 10
H. N. Magoun, tile	2 00
H. D. Smith, repairing water fountain	1 60
Phillips, Bates & Co., lumber and paint	5 55

\$845 26

WEST WARD.

Walter Simmons, 24 1-2 days at \$2.50	\$68 75
Walter Simmons and two horses, 27	
hours at 50c	13 50
Two horses, 195 hours at 33 1-3c	65 00
One man and four horses, 22 hours	
at 83 1-3c	18 33
One horse, 25 hours at 16 2-3c	4 25
One man and two horses, 19 hours	
at 50c	9 50
One man, 38 1-2 hours at 20c	7 70

One cart and horse, 29 hrs. at 16 1-3c	\$4 73
Three and one-half days at \$2.00	7 00
Stone forks	6 50
Posts and rails	4 00
Henry L. Studley, 220 1-2 hours at 20c	44 10
E. A. Damon, 172 1-2 hours at 20c	34 48
J. H. Leavitt, 18 hours at 20c	3 60
Robert Leavitt, 117 hours at 20c	23 40
George Vinal, 18 hours at 20c	3 60
Daniel F. Bates and two horses, 46 hours at 50c	23 00
A. F. Jacobs, 46 loads gravel at 6c	2 88
Wallace Hackett, 20 loads gravel at 6c	1 20
Elisha Sprague, 106 loads gravel at 6c	6 34
Benj. Loring, one man and two horses, 176 hours at 50c	88 00
Andrew Clapp, 18 hours at 20c	3 60
F. G. Healey, 9 hours at 20c	1 80
Henry Pratt, 70 1-2 hours at 20c	14 10
Carlton Pinsin, 91 1-2 hours at 20c	18 30
Albion Damon, 76 hours at 20c	15 20
Patrick Gammon, 41 hours at 20c	8 20
E. E. Jacobs, 63 7-20 hours at 20c	12 67
Simeon Damon, 50 hours at 20c	10 00
Wm. J. Hayden, 113 hours at 20c	22 60
Alvin Vinal, 27 1-2 hours at 20c	5 50
Thomas Hill, 43 hours at 20c	8 60
Walter S. Briggs, one man and two horses, 32 hours at 50c	16 00
Two men and four horses, 9 hours at \$1.00	9 00
One man and four horses, 18 hours at 83 1-3c	15 00
Mowing bushes	1 00
Alden Damon, work on bridge and stone furnished	3 85

Alden Damon, 63 hours at 20c	\$12 60
Geo. F. Crocker, 45 hours at 20c	9 00
James F. Crocker, 45 hours at 20c	9 00
Enoch Johnson, 34 loads gravel at 6c	2 04
Henry W. Mains, 159 1-2 hours at 20c	31 90
C. H. Tibbetts, 27 hours at 20c	5 40
Charles Scully, 18 hours at 20c	3 60
W. M. Shaw, 10 hours at 20c	2 00
George H. Bates, 18 hours at 20c	3 60
F. Damon, 18 hours at 20c	3 60
W. E. Damon, 57 1-2 hours at 20c	11 50
Edwin Damon, 41 hours at 20c	8 20
W. H. Farrar and two horses, 111 1-2 hours at 50c	55 75
Charles H. Baker and one horse, 27 hours at 33 1-3c	9 00
Charles Cutler, 14 hours at 20c	2 80
J. W. Brown, 59 loads gravel at 6c	3 54
Mrs. Eunice Loring, 34 loads gravel at 6c	2 04
Robert Loring, 86 hours at 20c	17 20
Bela Jacobs estate, 124 loads gravel at 6c	7 44
Mrs. Mary A. Veasey, 30 loads gravel at 6c	1 80
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	\$807 29

GENERAL HIGHWAY EXPENSES.

John F. Turner, labor on roller	\$22 00
Good Roads Machine Co., casting	65
Charles W. Tilden, sharpening tools	2 95
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	\$25 60

Total amount of Highway expenses	\$2,471 24
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REMOVING SNOW.

Benjamin Loring	\$70 63
Henry W. Main	4 13
Herbert Howard	7 50
William Collamore	2 75
J. Griffin	4 25
C. H. Lapham	5 25
John R. Collamore	3 75
John Brown	1 25
J. G. Tibbets	5 75
A. J. Farrar	2 50
William E. Magoun	75
W. H. Farrar	32 63
Timothy Sheehan	8 00
Peter Sheehan	50
J. H. Prouty	63
W. O. Prouty	63
F. G. Healey	10 75
J. J. Farrar	7 75
G. H. Bates	6 24
A. W. Thomas	6 50
Alpheus Thomas	5 87
Archie F. Merritt	5 25
Charles Sculley	9 16
W. M. Shaw	1 87
George A. Farrar	1 38
A. W. Robinson	1 87
Edward L. Loring	10 99

H. F. Mann	\$1 75
A. T. Stoddard	75
Chester Robinson	1 25
James Smith	6 38
Charles Smith	7 25
Walter Briggs	4 50
James Winslow	1 60
Lennie Dagan	3 25
Robert Smith	5 38
Richard Winslow	7 63
Alfred Rand	1 00
Fred W. Gardner	6 00
Herbert Litchfield	3 00
Caleb Litchfield	2 25
John Litchfield	1 25
Carl Litchfield	1 25
Harry Brown	75
Luther Litchfield	2 50
Olie Litchfield	1 25
Oscar Wagner	1 50
Percy Litchfield	1 50
John Whalen	5 63
Frank Dyer	1 25
Eddie Merritt	4 50
Ernest Loring	3 50
Charles H. Baker	8 63
E. A. Damon	11 50
W. E. Damon	5 75
E. A. Jacobs	65 75
John H. Sparrell	28 50
William T. Lapham	9 75
Allen Merritt	1 50
William Carr	12 25
Albert Osborne	9 50
Ralph Carr	6 00
Harry Perry	4 50

Thomas Jordan	\$4 00
Whitman Soule	3 50
Joshua Freeman	2 50
Howard Freeman	2 00
Andrew Clapp	2 50
George Sylvester	2 50
Joseph Sharks	2 75
Frank Damon	5 75
Alonzo Stoddard	7 88
O. D. Burhoff	4 50
Charles Curtis	3 00
Fred Jones	5 25
Henry Bates	4 25
Alden Damon	1 75
Frank Jones	6 31
Arthur Pratt	6 50
Harold Sexton	6 25
Alexander Black	7 50
Henry Munnis	2 25
E. P. Joseph	104 90
Wallace Hackett	13 87
Walter Simmons	70 87
C. O. Litchfield	13 25
George Richardson	4 00
Bert Richardson	5 00
Frank Richardson	3 50
A. L. Richardson	2 25
Arthur Carr	3 75
Lyman Lincoln	4 25
Charles Stockbridge	3 75
Robert Leavitt	3 00
Henry Leavitt	6 13
Harold Osborne	7 25
Nelson Osborne	5 00
Scott Osborne	4 50
Frank Osborne	4 00

George Vinal	\$8 00
W. L. Boynton	4 75
J. Totman	1 50
John E. Leslie	2 50
John F. Turner	3 50
Clarence Winslow	50
Carlton Pinsin	3 12
Jesse Winslow	38
Wilbur Sylvester	2 50
Percy Litchfield	1 00
Richie Litchfield	60
C. C. Merritt	3 00
Henry W. Winslow	2 00
John H. Winslow	45
John T. Moody	5 75
Antony Moody	5 75
Charles Harris	5 00
Laurence N. Gage	4 00
Ernest Merritt	1 75
Harry Merritt	2 94
Charles Hammond	1 13
Benjamin Lee	3 75
Harry Gardner	1 00
Albion Damon	6 00
E. Harrington	1 50
John Osborne	3 51
Laban Bates	75
John M. Bates	1 25
Jesse Reed	2 00
Eddie Bates	1 25
Ralph Merritt	2 50
J. W. Hatch	2 50
John Wilder	1 25
C. F. Studley	2 63
W. W. Briggs	2 75
A. H. Tilden	5 00

R. W. McDonald, snow plow	\$6 50
John Loring	3 37
William Loring	3 13
Charles Jones	1 50
A. C. Tisdale	1 12
Henry A. Pratt	1 88
Walter Barnard	5 50
Patrick White	88
William Hayden	2 00
Alpheus Damon	1 38
William S. Briggs	12 63
Walter S. Briggs	2 88
Wallace Damon	2 25
Patrick Gammon	3 75
F. E. Henderson	69 88
Charles Simmons	2 13
Clarence Barnard	3 75
James W. Studley	4 13
I. H. Packard	4 00
W. H. Appleford	4 00
E. C. Briggs	3 25
I. D. Chenervert	2 25
Thomas C. Sampson	1 00
Henry J. Tolman	1 13
E. A. Hatch	1 50
Malcolm Howland	38
Walter Smith	38
Howard Brooks	30
Fred Capell	1 00
Calvin Crane	1 25
Zenas Howland	63
W. G. Vinal	1 25
C. W. Tilden, ironing snow plow	4 50
W. F. Pratt	1 50

\$1,053 98

REPORT OF OVERSEERS OF THE POOR.

ALMSHOUSE ACCOUNT.

Articles on hand Jan. 1, 1904	\$382 00
H. S. Turner, supplies	84 87
F. M. Curtis & Co.	96 86
A. J. Litchfield, grain	134 46
A. J. Litchfield, supplies	107 59
Corthell Bros., meat	40 83
W. W. Cutler	59 96
Curtis & Bates, supplies	27 97
Samuel Olsen, fish	12 72
A. A. Page, fish	5 14
John Monahan	24 11
Helen M. Fogg	37 50
George F. Welch, coal	72 00
George F. Welch, supplies	38 11
William S. Briggs, ice (two years)	20 94
Harry G. Pinsin, pigs	12 00
Turner Bros., garden seed	3 70
Arthur I. Nash, use of field	10 00
Frank Thomas, use of stock	2 00
George H. Turner, fertilizer	35 00
H. N. Magoun, labor on pump	2 75
Dr. H. J. Little, attendance	36 25
Insurance on Almshouse and Building	38 40
C. W. Tilden, stock and labor	16 44
James H. Pinkham, salary for year	300 00
James H. Pinkham, articles bought for cash	91 89

C. W. & E. H. Sparrell, burial J. Waters \$25 00

\$1,718 49

JAMES H. PINKHAM'S ACCOUNT.

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Cash on hand Jan. 1, 1904	\$16 71
Articles sold	309 38
Board of Thomas Mee	40 80

\$366 89

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Bought for cash	\$91 89
Cash paid to Treasurer	273 80
Cash on hand	1 20

\$366 89

ALMSHOUSE RECEIPTS.

Cash on hand	\$16 71
Cash paid for vegetables	48 15
Pork, I. A. Lincoln	14 03
English hay	38 36
Fowl	10 00
Milk	103 02
Onions	2 55
Carrots	25 62
Potatoes	6 85
Strawberries	1 10
Eggs	31 70

Cash paid for Calf	\$1 00
Team for raid	1 50
Mowing for base ball	50
Dinner for Mr. Stone	50
Mowing for Mr. Griggs	1 87
Mowing for Amos Tilden	1 13
One hog and one calf	21 50
Board of Thomas Mee	40 80

\$366 89

ARTICLES ON HAND DEC. 31, 1904.

One horse	\$40 00
Fowl	25 00
Cows	75 00
Manure	25 00
Hay	100 00
Lumber	10 00
Potatoes	35 00
Onions	1 00
Turnips	2 00
Colored beans	4 00
Cabbages	2 00
Mangles	5 00
Carrots	5 00
Wood	20 00
Groceries	10 00
Pumpkins	5 00
Squash	5 00
Coal	52 00

\$421 00

SUMMARY OF ALMSHOUSE ACCOUNT.

Total expenditures	\$1,718 49
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ALMSHOUSE CREDITS.

Articles sold	\$309 38
Board of Thomas Mee	40 80
Articles on hand	421 00
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Total cost, including 33 tramps	\$947 31

OUT-DOOR POOR.

Edwin T. Leavitt.

Paid Town of Duxbury	\$49 75
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Lucy D. Gunderway.

Burial	\$25 00
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David Griffith.

George F. Welch, coal	\$29 00
C. O. Keen	2 00
E. M. Sexton	21 96
F. E. Henderson	5 00
J. H. Pinkham, paid for sawing wood	1 50
A. J. Litchfield & Son, supplies	70 28
Dr. H. J. Little, medical attendance	14 00

Wm. S. Briggs, ice	\$1 66	
Corthell Bros.	28 29	
	<hr/>	\$173 69

Children of E. C. Litchfield.

Mrs. L. S. Grant, care of children	\$12 00
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Mrs. William T. Hunt.

Town of Rockland	\$1 40	
Dr. C. E. Lowell, medical treatment	2 00	
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James Costello.

F. M. Curtis & Co., supplies	\$39 00	
Dr. C. L. Howes	60 00	
A. J. Litchfield & Son	57 00	
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Sarah E. Studley.

Cash	\$48 00	
Dr. H. J. Little, medical attendance	42 00	
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Family of Stephen Thomas.

Dr. A. L. McMillan	\$29 50
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Bella Freeman.

Worcester Insane Asylum	\$42 71
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Mary L. Bowker.

Taunton Insane Asylum (reimbursed)	\$42 71
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Mary A. Gardner.

Taunton Insane Asylum	\$42 71
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Bridget Shea.

To State Treasurer	\$36 80
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Lorenzo Cromwell.

H. S. Turner	\$2 00	
Dr. H. J. Little	6 00	
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		\$8 00

Mary Ann Gardner.

John S. Brooks, supplies	\$54 34	
Dr. H. J. Little, medical attendance	21 00	
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		\$75 34

William Gunderway.

Dr. W. P. Grovestein, medical attendance	\$15 00
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Arthur G. Lincoln.

Town of Rockland	\$4 40	
Damon Bros., supplies	4 98	
Dr. A. L. McMillan, medical attendance	13 00	
Bernard Damon, on month's rent	5 00	
	<hr/>	\$27 38

Benjamin Briggs.

Horace T. Fogg, interest	\$9 00	
A. J. Litchfield & Son, supplies	63 50	
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E. E. Gunderway.

A. J. Litchfield & Son	\$52 00
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H. W. Winslow.

Dr. H. J. Little, medical attendance	\$54 50
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Alden Beach.

Dr. H. J. Little, medical attendance	\$7 75
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Alonzo Sylvester.

Dr. H. J. Little, medical attendance	\$13 00
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Emery Winslow.

Dr. H. J. Little, medical attendance	\$1 00
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AID TO PERSONS HAVING SETTLEMENT IN OTHER TOWNS.

Laban R. Bates, Hull.

H. S. Turner & Co.	\$37 00	
A. J. Litchfield & Son, supplies	4 00	
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Chester Taylor, Scituate.

H. S. Turner & Co., supplies	\$56 00
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George A. Jackman, State.

W. D. Turner, wood	\$9 00	
A. J. Litchfield & Son, supplies	28 00	
	<hr/>	\$37 00

Bernard Randall, Duxbury.

H. S. Turner & Co., supplies	\$14 00	
W. D. Turner, wood	3 00	
Dr. H. J. Little, medical attendance	4 00	
	<hr/>	\$21 00

Josiah W. Chamberlain, Holbrook.

Phillips, Bates & Co., coal	\$19 88	
M. Little	104 00	
Dr. McMillan, attendance and medicine	69 50	
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E. C. McPherson, Canton.

A. J. Litchfield & Son, supplies	\$156 00
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Mildred Albee, State.

Burial	\$15 00
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F. A. Wheelwright, Cohasset.

A. J. Litchfield & Son, supplies	\$6 00	
Dr. H. J. Little, medical attendance	10 00	
	<hr/>	\$16 00

SUMMARY OF POOR ACCOUNT.

Total amount paid for out-door poor	\$1,566 13	
Net cost of poor at almshouse	922 31	
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Less amount refunded by towns and state		535 38
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		\$1,953 06

GEO. W. GRIGGS,
ALPHEUS THOMAS,
EZRA E. STETSON,
Overseers of the Poor.

SOLDIERS' BURIAL.

Bradford Little	\$35 00
William A. Knight	35 00
Thomas Mee	35 00

Total due from the State	\$105 00
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SOLDIERS' RELIEF.

Benj. F. Lee, paid Mrs. R. S. Winslow for board	\$21 00
Chas. H. Totman, cash	5 00

SOLDIERS HAVING A SETTLEMENT IN OTHER TOWNS OR CITIES.

Benj. K. Barrett, Whitman, cash	\$37 50
Lyman B. Fitts, Marshfield, cash	\$47 00
A. J. Litchfield & Sons, supplies	4 00
Dr. H. J. Little, medical attendance	41 75

\$92 75

Wm. A. Knight, Boston, John Knapp, nursing	\$21 00	
Dr. A. L. McMillan, medical at- tendance	53 50	
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Total		\$230 75
Due from other towns and cities		204 75
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		\$26 00

STATE AID PAID IN 1904.

Peter Ainslie	11 00
Charles D. Barnard	48 00
David Bassford	72 00
Amanda Bassford	48 00
Lorenzo Bates	18 00
Benjamin K. Barrett	36 00
Amanda Coleman	48 00
Abbie F. Coleman	24 00
Timothy B. Chapman	60 00
John Corthell	72 00
J. W. Chamberlin	72 00
Maria B. Damon	8 00
Ensign B. Damon	62 00
Lucy Damon	36 00
Hannah Dover	24 00
Frank Dyer	48 00
Charles David	72 00
Daniel R. Ewell	72 00
Warren Fuller	24 00
Mrs. Fuller	16 00

Seth O. Fitts	\$60 00
Lyman B. Fitts	54 00
Mathias French	72 00
Sarah Hatch	48 00
George A. Hatch	60 00
John H. Howard	48 00
William A. Knight	54 00
Bradford Little	4 00
Charles M. Leavitt	48 00
Thomas Mee	18 00
William H. Morse	48 00
William O. Merritt	59 00
Bradford B. Poole	40 00
Benjamin B. Prouty	48 00
Diana Pierce	48 00
William H. Rand	58 00
David P. Robinson	36 00
Harriet Raymond	48 00
Mary Shepherd	48 00
Edwin Studley	48 00
William E. Stone	63 00
Charles H. Totman	68 00
George O. Torrey	72 00
George T. Tolman	55 00
James H. Williams	72 00
Albert Winslow	46 00
John S. Whiting	12 00
Esther M. Young	48 00

Approved and due from State

\$2,254 00

TOWN OFFICERS.

George Cushing, auditor	\$20 00
A. J. Litchfield, collector	225 00
Henry D. Smith, selectman, assessor and overseer of poor	25 00
George H. Griggs, selectman, assessor and overseer of poor	75 00
Alpheus Thomas, selectman, assessor and overseer of poor	150 00
Ezra E. Stetson, selectman, assessor and overseer of poor	100 00
Chas. A. Berry, registrar of voters	15 00
Ezra E. Stetson, registrar of voters	15 00
John H. Prouty, registrar of voters	15 00
Walter T. Osborne, services as constable	54 30
E. E. Chamberlain, services as constable	6 00
John Corthell, services as constable	13 00
J. Warren Foster, services as constable	29 00
J. Warren Foster, inspector of animals	31 00
Mary E. Curtis, school committee	35 00
Benjamin Loring, school committee	25 00
George C. Turner, school committee	25 00
John Corthell, tree warden	21 60
Joseph F. Merritt, services as town clerk	68 13
Chas. Scully, election officer	3 00
John Whalen, election officer	3 00
Herbert E. Rollins, election officer	3 00
Horace T. Fogg, treasurer	100 00

Alpheus Thomas, hearing on bridges	\$14 50	
E. E. Stetson, hearing on Hanover bridge	2 52	
Dr. H. J. Little, services board of health	6 00	
Geo. C. Turner, services board of health	2 00	
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TOWN HALL.

Fred J. Croning, janitor	\$28 00	
A. J. Litchfield & Son	30	
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CEMETERY.

Chas. H. Lapham, labor	\$17 00
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TOWN TOMB.

Appropriation	\$500 00	
Phillips, Bates & Co., material	\$43 60	
Chas. Callahan, labor	59 67	
Chas. H. Lapham	20 04	
Granite Railway Co, stone	116 80	
Wm. H. Farrar, labor	17 50	
	<hr/>	\$257 61
Received for sale of lots	\$30 00	

TOWN INCIDENTALS.

Joseph F. Merritt, returning births, marriages and deaths	\$21 00
Horace T. Fogg, stationery, etc.	7 80
John F. Turner, labor on pump, Dist. No. 6	2 00
Rockland Standard, printing town reports	95 00
Andrew J. Litchfield, postage, etc.	13 80
Rockland Standard Publishing Co., printing	8 00
Henry D. Smith, repairing ballot box	1 00
Ernest L. Henderson, burying woodchucks	25 00
H. D. Smith, pipe and labor Delano Hill water works	1 68
A. H. Bartlett, printing for Town Clerk	1 30
Fred W. Capell, sign board Tiffany Road	1 60
Parker W. Cushing, painting sign boards	1 82
P. B. Murphy, printing dog licenses and posters	2 50
Hingham Fire Dept., Grove street fire	7 25
A. W. Thomas, Grove street fire	11 62
A. W. Thomas, Fire Warden	4 00
Services at fire on estate of J. W. Sampson : Benjamin Stetson	3 25
John P. Hatch	3 25
Ernest Loring	63
Edward Jacobs	63
George S. Hatch	1 25
L. B. Fitts	75
Harry G. Pinsin	75
Albert Merritt	88
Seth O. Fitts	75
William Fearing, Hingham Fire Dept., Phipps' fire	4 00
County Commissioners, entrance fee for petition	3 00

Thomas Groom, Assessors' books	\$6 00
Thomas Groom, printing	9 75
Paid bounty on woodchucks. George W. Griggs	39 50
Alpheus Thomas	54 75
Ezra E. Stetson	34 25
Carrie M. Ford, printing	14 25
James Johnson, fire extinguishers placed in almshouse	10 00
F. E. Henderson, drain pipe	7 00
Horace T. Fogg, for perfecting title of property from Scituate to Norwell	21 05
W. H. Spencer, repairing pump Dist. No. 6	6 45
C. H. Lapham, " " " " 2	3 00
E. A. Turner, telephone service	35
Southern Mass. Tel. Co.	85
Town of Pembroke, seeding pond	7 65
R. C. Waterman, stone markers for Church Hill cemetery	9 00
Carter's Ink Co., for ink	83
Helen L. Fogg, use of vault	8 00
S. O. Jacobs, opening grave of J. L. Waters	3 00
Coughlan Bros., legal services	10 00
Norwell Post Office, for stamps, etc.	10 84
A. J. Litchfield & Son, supplies to town office	46
Dr. C. L. Howes, return of births	75

\$482 24

RECAPITULATION.

Taxes abated	\$114 77
Highway expenditures	2,471 24
Snow expenditures	1,035 98

Town officers	\$1,082 05
Town hall	28 30
Town incidentals	482 24
Cemetery	17 00
Tomb	257 61
Almshouse expenses	1,718 49
Aid to out-door poor	1,566 13
Soldiers' relief	230 75
Soldiers' burial	105 00
State aid	2,254 00
Bounty on woodchucks	128 50

CREDITS.

Refunded by State, on acct. of poor	\$37 00
Refunded by State, on acct. of soldiers' burial	105 00
Almshouse credits	771 18
State aid	2,254 00
Soldiers' relief	204 75
Due from the State for cattle inspection	15 50
Cemetery, for sale of lots	30 00
Refunded by towns on account of poor	535 38

AUDITOR'S REPORT.

NORWELL, JAN. 19, 1905.

I have examined the accounts of the Treasurer, Selectmen and Collector and find them correctly cast, and vouchers for all amounts paid.

GEO. CUSHING, Auditor.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

LIABILITIES.

Notes in favor of So. Scituate Savings Bank	\$6,500 00
Note in favor of the Coffin Fund	2,000 00
Note in favor of Otis Fund	1,300 00
Due to other towns for support of poor	200 00

ASSETS.

Due from State for State Aid	\$2,254 00
State, for aid to poor	37 00
Towns, for aid to poor	535 38
State, for soldiers' burial	105 00
Towns, for soldiers' relief	204 75
Corporation and Bank taxes (estimated)	200 00
State, for inspection of cattle	15 50
Cash in hands of Treasurer	3,515 27
Uncollected taxes	3,271 08

LIST OF JURORS.

List of persons qualified to serve as jurors, to be presented to the town for acceptance or revision.

James L. Litchfield	Farmer
Alpheus Damon	Retired
Charles H. Dyer	Tacker
Arthur T. Stoddard	Shoe cutter
L. Frank Hammond	Farmer
Francis E. Henderson	Teamer
Wallace H. Damon	Farmer
Walter T. Osborne	Retired
Henry J. Tolman	Carpenter
Arthur C. Jones	Shoe stitcher
George W. Robbins	Paper hanger
Edwin A. Turner	Hotel keeper
Amos H. Tilden	Farmer
Geo. H. Turner	Farmer
George Cushing	Retired
W. H. Rand	Farmer
Walter C. Barnard	Laborer
Lebbeus Leach	Retired
Geo. H. Tisdale	Foreman stitcher
Ernest L. Henderson	Painter
Chas. D. Barnard	Harness maker
Joseph H. Corthell	Retired
John Whalen	Farmer
Wm. O. Prouty	Carpenter
Chas. N. Gardner	Poultry raiser
George H. Bates	Shoe worker

REPORT OF TRUSTEES.

NINETEENTH ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

TRUSTEES OF THE A. T. OTIS POOR FUND.

Loaned on town note	\$1,300 00	
In Savings Bank	700 00	
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Amount of Fund		\$2,000 00
On hand Jan. 1, 1904	\$140 77	
Interest on Bank books	32 48	
Interest on Town note	52 00	
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		\$225 25
Paid worthy poor	\$35 00	
Paid inmates of the almshouse	20 00	
In the bank Dec. 31, 1904	118 25	
Cash on hand	52 00	
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		\$225 25

SECOND ANNUAL REPORT
OF THE
TRUSTEES OF THE GEORGE P. CLAPP
CEMETERY FUND.

Amount of Fund	\$100 00	
Interest	1 01	
Interest on bank book	4 08	
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		\$105 09
Paid for care of lot	\$5 00	
Interest on deposit Jan. 1, 1905	09	
Fund	100 00	
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		\$105 09

TWENTY-SEVENTH ANNUAL REPORT
OF THE
TRUSTEES OF THE COFFIN POOR FUND.

Amount of Fund	\$2,000 00	
Loaned on Town note at 4 per cent.		
In the bank Jan. 1, 1904	\$107 59	
Cash on hand	18 00	
Interest on bank book	3 82	
Interest on town note	80 00	
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		\$209 41

Paid worthy poor	\$43 00	
In bank Jan. 1, 1905	86 41	
Cash on hand (interest on town note)	80 00	
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NINETEENTH ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

TRUSTEES OF THE A. T. OTIS CEMETERY AND TOMB FUND.

Amount of fund in So. Scituate Savings

Bank	\$1,500 00	
Interest on deposit Jan. 1, 1904	309 38	
Interest on bank books	.71 42	
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Paid for care of lots and flowers	\$30 00	
For labor on well	64 44	
For lumber for well	8 24	
For well pipe and carting	82 00	
A. J. Litchfield & Son, two pails	60	
Interest on deposit Dec. 31, 1904	195 52	
Fund on deposit Dec. 31, 1904	1,500 00	
	<hr/>	\$1,880 80

NINTH ANNUAL REPORT
OF THE
TRUSEEES OF THE PRUDENCE C. DELANO
CEMETERY FUND.

Amount of fund	\$300 00	
Interest on deposits Jan. 1, 1904	63 43	
Interest on bank book	14 66	
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		\$378 09

Paid for care of lot	\$5 00	
Interest on deposit Jan. 1, 1905	73 09	
Fund	300 00	
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		\$378 09

FIRST ANNUAL REPORT
OF THE
TRUSTEES OF THE MARY O. ROBBINS
CEMETERY FUND.

Amount of fund	\$200 00	
Interest on deposit Jan. 1, 1904	2 00	
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		\$202 00

FIFTH ANNUAL REPORT
OF THE
TRUSTEES OF THE BETSEY B. TOLMAN
CEMETERY FUND.

Amount of fund	\$100 00	
Interest on bank book	4 04	
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		\$104 04
Paid for care of lot	\$4 04	
Fund on deposit January 1, 1905	100 00	
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		\$104 04

THIRTEENTH ANNUAL REPORT
OF THE
TRUSTEES OF THE SAMUEL C. CUDWORTH
CEMETERY FUND.

Amount of fund	\$200 00	
Interest of deposit January 1, 1904	18 56	
Interest on bank book	8 80	
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		\$227 36
Paid for care of lot	\$4 00	
Interest on deposit January 1, 1905	23 36	

Fund	\$200 00
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	\$227 36

SIXTEENTH ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

TRUSTEES OF THE JOSSELYN CEMETERY FUND.

Amount of fund	\$200 00
Interest on deposit Jan. 1, 1904	38 96
Interest on bank book	9 62
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	\$248 58
 Paid for care of lot	 5 00
Interest on deposit Jan. 1, 1905	43 58
Fund	200 00
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	\$248 58

SEVENTH ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

TRUSTEES OF THE NANCY HERSEY CEMETERY FUND.

Amount of fund	\$100 00
Interest on deposit Jan. 1, 1904	12 92

Interest on bank book

\$4 54

\$117 46

Paid for care of lot

\$3 00

Interest on deposit Jan. 1, 1905

14 46

Fund

100 00

\$117 46

CITIZENS' CAUCUS.

The citizens of the town of Norwell are requested to meet at the town hall, Norwell, on Friday evening, February 24, 1905, at 8 o'clock, to nominate town officers for the ensuing year, and to transact any other business that may properly come before them.

PER ORDER OF THE SELECTMEN.

Transcript of Articles in the Warrant.

FOR THE ANNUAL MEETING, MARCH 6, 1905.
AT NINE O'CLOCK A. M.

Article 1. To choose a Moderator.

Article 2. To choose a Town Clerk.

Article 3. To hear and act on the report of the Town Clerk, Selectmen, Overseers of the Poor, Auditor, Collector and Treasurer.

Article 4. To choose all such town officers as the laws of the state and the by-laws of the town require.

Article 5. To bring in their votes "Yes" or "No" in answer to the question, "Shall licenses be granted for the sale of intoxicating liquors in this town for the ensuing year?"

Article 6. What amount of money will the town raise for the support of poor and incidental expenses?

Article 7. What sum of money will the town raise for the support of schools?

Article 8. What sum of money will the town raise for highway repairs?

Article 9. What compensation will the town make for removing snow and appropriate money for the same?

Article 10. In what manner and time shall the taxes be collected the ensuing year?

Article 11. Will the town accept the list of jurors prepared by the selectmen?

Article 12. Will the town authorize the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to hire money in anticipation of taxes?

Article 13. To hear and act on the report of any committee heretofore chosen.

Article 14. To make allowance to town creditors.

Article 15. What sum of money will the town appropriate for the use of Post 112, G. A. R., on Memorial Day?

Article 16. What sum of money will the town appropriate for the payment of state and military aid?

Article 17. What sum of money will the town appropriate to pay the Superintendent of Schools?

Article 18. What sum of money will the town raise for repairs of schoolhouses and incidentals?

Article 19. Will the town cause a statement of their financial affairs to be printed in February next?

Article 20. Will the town appropriate a sum of money to be expended in the cemetery on Washington street?

Article 21. Will the town cause a new valuation to be taken in 1905?

Article 22. What price will the town pay for labor on the highways for the ensuing year?

Article 23. Will the town raise and appropriate a sum of money to rebuild River street as laid out by the County Commissioners?

Article 24. Will the town give any instruction to the town officers.

Article 25. Or act or do anything relative to the above.

Citizens desiring additional articles in the warrant will present them to the Selectmen on or before Feb. 18, 1905.

GEORGE W. GRIGGS,
ALPHEUS THOMAS,
EZRA E. STETSON,

Selectmen of Norwell.

ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

SCHOOL COMMITTEE

OF THE

TOWN OF NORWELL

FOR THE YEAR 1904.

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1905.

REPORT OF THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

TO THE CITIZENS OF NORWELL :

SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

Benj. Loring, Chairman, term expires 1907.

Geo. C. Turner, term expires 1906.

Mary E. Curtis, Secretary, term expires 1905.

SUPERVISION.

Mr. C. A. Record has during the past year managed our schools as usual, ably and well. No one not intimately acquainted with the work of a Superintendent can realize the amount of work required of one. What with visiting the various schools, conducting teachers' meetings, attending Committee meetings, and carrying supplies to every school in town, who can say that his time is not fully occupied? And, although we are entitled to but one-third of his time, yet he can call nearly every pupil in town by name or give the grade to which each belongs. Mr. Record enjoys the confidence and esteem of teachers and pupils alike and we are very glad that we are still able to retain his services.

TEACHERS.

But few changes have occurred in our teaching force the past year.

Miss Minnie G. Robbins, who was granted leave of absence that she might take a European trip, was succeeded by Mrs. Katharine Simonds, a graduate of a Rhode Island Normal school. As Miss Robbins declined a re-election at the end of the school year, we were very glad to continue to employ Mrs. Simonds, who had proven herself a first-class teacher.

Miss Mary A. Schenck, (now Mrs. H. D. Sampson), who resigned at the end of the school year, has been succeeded by Miss Lena B. McCaffrey, a Vermont Normal graduate. She has done good work, although greatly hampered by the poor attendance, which is always a source of great trouble to every teacher in Dist. No. 4.

Mr. Edward L. Hill, who succeeded Mr. Hunnewell as Principal of our High school, was educated at Brown University, and had previously taught in Providence, R. I., and in Wilkesbarre, Pa.

Miss Mary F. Simmons, of Hanover, succeeded Mr. W. Scott Osborne, who had been second assistant at the High school, and who had left to enter Bates college.

TRANSPORTATION.

Our transportation routes remain nearly the same as last year, except that by carrying the pupils from Dist. No. 2 to Dist. No. 1, instead of to Dist. No. 5, we dispensed with one barge, and as the schools in Dist. No. 1 were both rather small, the change was a good one for all concerned.

EVENTS OF THE YEAR.

Some of the pleasant events of the year have been: The union Memorial Day exercises at the Unitarian church; the annual graduating exercises of the High school at the same place combining, as it did, a fine concert by Boston talent

with the Salutatory and Valedictory by members of the class of 1904; the Institute for the teachers of this union district held at Hanover, with a very helpful talk by George H. Martin, Secretary of the State Board of Education; the annual County Teachers' Convention at Plymouth, with many helpful hints by noted educators; the year closing with the Christmas exercises held at each school room, and greatly enjoyed by the children and, too, by the older ones who were privileged to be present.

One matter which we greatly regretted, was the necessity for closing the Grammar school in Dist. No. 7. This was no new idea, but one which had been under consideration for some time. At the annual election of teachers in June 1903, the Committee notified the teachers in Dists. No. 6 and 7, that if by consolidation or any other reason, the schools should be closed, their contracts would not be binding.

Owing to the number brought to Dist. No. 5, Primary, from Dist. No. 3, it was found necessary to take one grade to Dist. No. 6, thus greatly enlarging the school, so that the necessity of closing it for that time, at least, was passed. But Dist. No. 7 had no addition to its numbers and for the Fall term of 1903, and winter term of 1904, numbered only eleven pupils; then it was, March 1904, that the Committee decided to close the school, bringing seven pupils to Dist. No. 5 and leaving the fifth grade with Miss Tolman in the Primary room. In September, the fifth grade, (now promoted to sixth grade) was brought to Dist. No. 5.

The closing of this particular school occasioned no greater change in that district than had come to other districts in town. Dist. No. 2, both schools, Grammar and Primary, and Dist. No. 3, mixed school, were both closed entirely, even carrying the first grade children, in a majority of cases only five years old, to another district. But are the committee to blame for this? We should be very glad to have a large school house in every district, well filled with children,

but under the existing conditions of business and population in town, as this is impossible, absolutely nothing remains for the Committee, but to do what they consider best for the children and the interests of the town.

ATTENDANCE

One matter, to which we have to call your attention each year, for it is an important one, is the matter of ATTENDANCE. It does seem with all that is done for children at the present day that they might be kept in school, as it requires so little effort on either the children's or parents' part. Perhaps that is the very reason the attendance is no better; everything is made so convenient that if it required more effort on either part, it would be better appreciated. We are apt to value very lightly, things easy to obtain. The most trivial of excuses is sufficient to keep a child at home for a day or more, and do you not realize how much he loses in that little time? One day of absence in a week, as is too often the case, results in failure to be promoted at the end of the year and then the teacher is blamed for the failure. It is a rare case that a pupil who attends school every day, (or attends when not really ill), and pays attention to business while there, who fails of promotion.

Did you ever think how much a parent can help a teacher and benefit the school? Let us tell you a few of the things necessary.

First — Insist upon regular and prompt attendance.

Second — Do not criticise the teacher or the methods before the children.

Third — Wait to hear both sides of the story before censuring the teacher.

Fourth — Remember that there are other children in school beside yours.

Fifth — Visit the school often, talk with the teacher; if your child is not making satisfactory progress, speak of it,

and see if you cannot do something to help ; and, lastly, try to remember that you were a child once yourself and in all probability were very much like what your child is now, and that however much you may wish it, "Old heads will never grow on young shoulders."

Let us ever strive to benefit and strengthen our school system until it can be said that Norwell, although a small town has schools which rank among the foremost in the great educational system of Massachusetts.

Respectfully submitted,

BENJAMIN LORING,
GEORGE C. TURNER,
MARY E. CURTIS,

School Committee of Norwell.

EXPENDITURES.

EXPENDITURES CHARGEABLE TO THE APPROPRIATION.

For the winter term of ten weeks, 1904, but chargeable to the appropriation of 1903.

Teachers' Salaries.

John A. Hunnewell	\$270 00
Mattie S. Wilder	115 50
M. Abbie Packard	80 00
Sarah F. Richardson	90 00
Mary A. Schenck	90 00
Martha C. Scully	100 00
Marion G. Merritt	90 00
Minnie G. Robbins	72 00
E. Katharine Goodrich	16 00
Mrs. S. M. Buttrick	90 00
Maria W. Tolman	90 00
A. Gertrude Jones	35 00
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	\$1138 50

Supervision.

C. A. Record	\$150 00
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Transportation.

Mrs. E. L. Loring	\$115 00
Chas. D. Barnard	88 00
Wm. T. Lapham	119 00
Chas. E. Brewster	132 00
James L. Litchfield	108 00
Tilon Williams	15 00
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	\$577 00

Care of Rooms.

Fred J. Croning, High school	\$25 00
Bernard M. Scully, Dist. No. 1	10 00
William E. Leslie, } Dist. No. 4	4 00
Gertrude Leslie, }	
Edwin W. French, Dist. No. 5	10 00
Wallace Henderson, Dist. No. 6	4 00
Wm. C. Tolman, Jr., Dist. No. 7	8 50
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	\$61 50

EXPENDITURES CHARGEABLE TO THE APPROPRIATION.

For Spring and Fall Terms, 1904.

Teachers' Salaries.

John A. Hunnewell	\$270 00
Edward L. Hill	320 00
Mattie S. Wilder	304 50
A. Gertrude Jones, drawing teacher	90 00
M. Abbie Packard, Dist. No. 1 Grammar	224 00
Sarah F. Richardson, Dist. No. 1 Primary	252 00

Mary A. Schenck, Dist. No. 4 Mixed	\$108 00
Lena B. McCaffrey, Dist. No. 4 Mixed	144 00
Marion G. Merritt, Dist. No. 5 Primary	252 00
Martha C. Scully, Dist. No. 5 Grammar	280 00
Mrs. Katharine Simonds, Dist. No. 6	
Mixed	252 00
Maria W. Tolman, Dist. No. 7 Primary	252 00

\$2748 '50

Care of Rooms.

Fred J. Croning, High School	\$128 00
Bernard M. Scully, Dist. No. 1	20 00
Gertrude Leslie, Wm. Leslie, Dist. No. 4	8 00
Edwin W. French, Dist. No. 5.	28 00
Irving Henderson, Dist. No. 6	8 00
Wm. C. Tolman, Jr., Dist. No. 7	13 75

\$205 75

Fuel and Fitting.

Benj. Loring, moving wood from Dist.	
No. 2	\$4 00
Wm. T. Lapham, wood	5 00
W. Scott Osborne, work on wood	3 00
Benj. Loring, wood as per contract	32 00
F. E. Henderson, wood as per contract	21 50
John Whalen, wood and fitting	7 00
Chas. O. Keene, wood as per contract	58 00
Wm. D. Turner, wood as per contract	27 25
Wm. D. Turner, wood	5 00
Henry C. Ford, sawing wood, contract	20 00
Benj. Loring, wood	2 00
Bernard M. Scully, work on wood, No. 1	13 00

S. G. Benson, sawing wood, No. 1	\$6 00	
Harold B. Sexton, work on wood, Nos. 5 and 6.	5 25	
Howard Packard, work on wood, No. 7	4 00	
Walter Simmons, coal, High School	42 00	
Ralph D. Merritt, work on wood, No. 4	75	
F. J. Croning, work on wood, High school	5 25	
	<hr/>	\$261 00

Superintendent.

Received from State	\$250 00	
Town appropriation	250 00	
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Paid C. A. Record		350 00
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		\$150 00

Transportation.

Mrs. E. L. Loring	\$348 00	
Chas. D. Barnard	130 00	
Clarence E. Barnard	4 00	
Wm. T. Lapham	449 50	
James L. Litchfield	288 00	
L. Frank Hammond	192 00	
Tilon Williams	44 00	
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Books and Supplies.

E. E. Babb & Co.	\$277 65
Rand, McNally & Co.	13 76
J. L. Hammett Co.	81 57

Journal of Geography	\$4 50
Ginn & Co.	23 90
J. E. Judson	4 50
J. A. Hunnewell	1 05
Samuel Ward Co.	5 25

\$412 18

Cleaning School Houses.

Mrs. Annie F. Scully, Dist. No. 1	\$12 00
Fred J. Croning, High School	7 00
Mrs. Mary A. Osborne, Dist. Nos. 4 and 5	15 00
Seth O. Fitts, Dist. No. 6	5 50
Mrs. Eva L. Winslow, Dist. No. 7	6 00

\$45 50

Supplies and Incidentals.

Wm. H. Spencer, labor on stoves and materials furnished	\$43 19
Chandler Chair Co., desks	10 50
W. W. Wade, tuning piano	2 00
D. W. Ross, labor and materials furnished	4 00
F. M. Curtis & Co, supplies for school houses	9 29
Carrie M. Ford, printing report cards, programs, etc.	16 25
C. L. Rice & Son, curtains and bookcase	21 00
C. H. Baker, moving stove	75
D. M. O'Brien, expressing (1902-1903)	28 31
Harry S. Merritt, moving and resetting desks	13 43
Harry S. Merritt, closet for High school	6 50
John Whalen, labor at No. 4	3 50

Benj. Loring, telephoning, postage and other school expenses	\$8 29
Patrick McNichol, cleaning vaults	5 00
E. Lincoln Wood, use of well from 1901 to 1903	10 00
Mary E. Curtis, postage	1 88
E. F. Freeman, clearing yard No. 5	1 50
C. A. Record, sundry extra expenses	10 00
C. C. Merritt, labor and materials furnished	1 90
Levi N. Osborne, materials and labor on chimney at Town hall	18 50
John E. Corthell, electric bells for High school	5 00
F. E. Henderson, labor at No. 7	2 00
Geo. F. Welch, lumber, bricks, etc.	17 51
E. W. French, repairing clock	50
J. H. Lehan, painting and glazing	21 00
F. A. Prouty, materials and labor at No. 1	6 50
A. J. Litchfield & Son, supplies	2 54
Bernard M. Scully, brooms and hinges	88
W. C. Tolman, Jr., locks	1 00

\$272 72

HIGH SCHOOL FUND.

Unexpended balance from last year	\$107 32
Received from State	300 00

\$407 32

American Book Co.	\$16 12
W. Scott Osborne, teaching	64 00

Mary F. Simmons, teaching	120 00	
Ginn & Co., supplies	2 30	
D. C. Heath & Co., supplies	2 32	
E. E. Babb & Co., supplies	28 28	
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		\$174 30

AVAILABLE FUNDS FOR PRESENT YEAR.

Town appropriation	\$5000 00	
Dog tax	316 55	
State Board of Charity	146 50	
Received from State on account of teachers' salaries	166 66	
State School Fund	929 86	
Repairs of school houses and incidentals	250 00	
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		\$6809 57
Amount expended		5401 15
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		\$1408 42
Expenses to April (estimated)		1744 50
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Deficit		\$336 08

Norwell, Jan. 19, 1905.

I have examined the accounts of the School Committee and find vouchers for amounts paid.

GEORGE CUSHING, Auditor.

ABSTRACT FROM REGISTERS.

	WINTER TERM—1904.						SPRING TERM—1904.						FALL TERM—1904.					
	Number Enrolled.	Average Membership.	Average Attendance.	Per cent. of Attendance.	Number of Tardy Marks.	Number of Visitors.	Number Enrolled.	Average Membership.	Average Attendance.	Per cent. of Attendance.	Number of Tardy Marks.	Number of Visitors.	Number Enrolled.	Average Membership.	Average Attendance.	Per cent. of Attendance.	Number of Tardy Marks.	Number of Visitors.
No 1 Primary	12	10.97	8.72	.79	11	20	20	19.1	18.28	.95	5	43	34	26.94	25.77	.95	10	47
No. 1 Grammar	17	16.45	15.27	.91	0	8	19	17.66	16.33	.92	1	27	19	19	17.7	.93	6	19
No. 4 Mixed	21	18.33	17.33	.94	25	16	22	20.66	19.66	.95	30	5	18	16	14.29	.89	40	13
No. 5 Primary	26	25	23.42	.94	15	19	21	20.33	18.02	.88	17	12	26	23.44	20.78	.88	33	35
No. 5 Grammar	39	37.88	33.08	.87	9	11	44	41.62	35.92	.85	15	10	46	41.5	37.11	.89	13	9
No. 6 Grammar	29	27.56	21.73	.79	6	10	29	28.25	25.43	.87	18	6	34	32.22	28.92	.89	40	25
No. 7 Mixed	18	17.76	12.9	.72	2	8	22	20.8	18.26	.80	13	17	23	22.25	20.13	.90	7	12
No. 7 Primary	11	10.8	9.62	.89	2	11	49	46.96	43.83	.93	0	6	50	46.5	44	.94	0	15
No 7 Grammar High	51	50.33	46.09	.91	1	7												

SCHOOLS.

REPORT OF SUPERINTENDENT.

TO THE SCHOOL BOARD.—

I hereby submit my fifth annual report as Superintendent of Schools.

My work during the past year has been, in detail, as follows :

I have visited the schools as often as seemed to me necessary ; have determined what lines of work should be pursued and have given directions to be followed in the same ; have procured proper supplies and distributed them as needed. So far as the details enumerated are concerned, I have worked unrestricted.

In most instances, the efforts of the teachers to cooperate with me in the general plan of the school work, both as regards detail and attainment, have been satisfactory. If there is any particular feature of our work that I would criticise unfavorably, it is the oral reading in the Grammar schools.

Teachers in general fail oftener in this line of effort than in any other. I think they are inclined to regard this work as something that must be done, but attach very little importance to manner of execution. To me it is a vital subject. I have spoken of it so often that I fear I am in danger of being considered a crank as regards this subject. With the passing of the old "district school" good oral reading has become almost a lost art.

This work has improved, very much in the Primary schools during the last two years. But many pupils that could read

well when in the lower grades, after reaching the High school have apparently lost capability in this direction.

I believe that in the case of the average pupil, half the effort in the study of literature is lost if the pupil be not a good oral reader, that is, be not able to read readily, with expression, and with the power to cause a listener to see the mental picture intended by the author.

As Abraham Lincoln said of this government, that "it is of the people, for the people, and by the people," so is it true of the public schools in respect to their origin, purpose and maintenance. Thus it is incumbent upon all concerned in the management of the schools to so guard their interests that they shall not fail to minister to the needs of their respective communities.

THE HIGH SCHOOL.

I think the matter of establishing a three years' course of study at the High school is worthy of consideration.

We are obliged by law to maintain a four years' course, but we could, in connection therewith, offer a course of three years, arranged with a view to serving the interests of those pupils not contemplating either a Normal school or a college course.

Many of these pupils drop out of the High school at the end of one or two years, who would in most cases remain if they could formally graduate at the end of three years. Also a three years' course can be made more interesting and profitable to some pupils than a four years' course, because of the omission of certain subjects for which they have no taste, which they would be obliged to take in working a four years' course. This idea, at first, may seem contrary to arguments advanced in favor of a ninth grade. The ninth grade work is necessary for those contemplating a course at a Normal school or a college, as those intending to pursue such courses

could not do work of the nature required for admittance to higher institutions without the training afforded by the ninth grade.

Without some such outlet as a three years' course, all would be subject to the conditions imposed by the State, whereas with such a course in operation, those obliged to earn their own support, early in life, and those having no aptitude for certain subjects, could come together in a class, for which the work could be especially arranged.

This, of course, is only a suggestion, and will be put into effect only at the desire of a majority interested and concerned.

Following this report will be found a course of study for the ninth grade and the High school, with explanations concerning the same.

Respectfully submitted,

C. A. RECORD.

COURSE OF STUDIES.

NINTH GRADE.

Elementary Algebra, 4 ; English Grammar, Oral Reading, Spelling and Composition, 5 ; Bookkeeping, 3 ; American History, 4.

HIGH SCHOOL.

FIRST YEAR.

Required.—Algebra, 5 ; English, 4 ; History, 4 ; Drawing, 1.

Elective :—Latin, 4 ; Physics, 4.

SECOND YEAR.

Required :—Geometry, 4 ; English, 4 ; History, 4.

Elective :—Drawing, 1 ; Latin, 4 ; French, 4 ; Chemistry and Botany, 4 ; Commercial Geography, 4.

THIRD YEAR.

Required.—English, 3 ; U. S. History and Civics, 4 ; Physiology and Hygiene, 20 weeks, Physical Geography, 20 weeks, 4.

Elective :—Latin, 4 ; French, 3 ; Geometry, 4.

FOURTH YEAR.

Required :—English, 5 ; Review Mathematics, 5.

Elective :—Latin, 4 ; French, 3 ; Advanced Physics and Chemistry, 4 ; Geometry, 20 weeks, 4.

In the first year pupils may elect either Latin or physics.

In the second year pupils must, in addition to the required subjects, elect not less than five periods of work.

In the third year, in addition to the required work, at least seven periods must be elected.

In the fourth year at least seven periods must be elected.

A good three years' course could be easily arranged from the subjects of the four years' course.

The numerals at the right of the subjects of the course indicate the number of recitations per week.





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Report of the Town Clerk.

At the annual meeting of the qualified voters of the town of Norwell, held March 6, 1905, the following action was taken on the several articles contained in the warrant :

Article 1. To choose a Moderator.

Chose Alpheus Thomas, Moderator.

Article 2. To choose a Town Clerk.

Chose Joseph F. Merritt, Town Clerk.

Article 3. To hear and act on the report of the Town Clerk, Selectmen, Overseers of the Poor, Auditor, Collector and Treasurer.

Voted, to accept the reports of the above named officers.

Article 4. To choose all such town officers as the laws of the State and the by-laws of the Town require.

The following officers were chosen by ballot.

Selectmen, Assessors and Overseers of the Poor : Alpheus Thomas, Ezra E. Stetson, Ernest H. Sparrell.

Treasurer, Horace T. Fogg.

Auditor, George Cushing.

Tree Warden, John Corthell.

School Committee for three years, Mrs. Mary E. Curtis.

Board of Health for three years, Clifton S. Deane.

Constables. Voted, to choose one constable at large and one from each ward : J. Warren Foster, at large ; Fred W. Capell, South ward ; Walter T. Osborn, East ward ; William E. Wilder, West ward.

Highway Surveyors, Walter Simmons, Francis E. Henderson, Emanuel P. Joseph.

Tax Collector, Andrew J. Litchfield.

Field Drivers. The Constables were chosen field drivers.

Fence Viewers. The Highway Surveyors were chosen fence viewers.

Cemetery Committee, Geo. W. Curtis, Joseph H. Curtis, Alpheus Thomas.

Article 5. To bring in their votes "Yes" or "No" in answer to the question, "Shall licenses be granted for the sale of intoxicating liquors in this town for the ensuing year?"

The polls were opened at 11.45 a. m. and closed at 12.45 p. m.

Whole number of ballots cast 148, "Yes" 49, "No" 99.

Article 6. What amount of money will the town raise for the support of poor and incidental expenses?

Voted, to raise and appropriate \$2000 for support of poor.

Voted, to raise and appropriate \$500 for incidentals.

Article 7. What sum of money will the town raise for the support of schools?

Voted, to raise and appropriate \$5250 for support of schools, to include incidentals, repairs, and shingling the Town Hall.

Article 8. What sum of money will the town raise for highway repairs?

Voted, to raise and appropriate \$2500.

Article 9. Will the town raise and appropriate the sum of one thousand dollars to be expended with a like amount to be allotted by the Massachusetts Highway Commission in the improvement of a portion of River street as per petition, under the provision of Sect. 17, of Chap. 47, of the Revised Laws?

Voted, to appropriate \$1500 for this purpose and hire the money for five years, and it was voted to authorize the Treasurer to hire the sum of \$1500 for five years and give the note of the town to secure the same.

Voted, that the Selectmen put the job out at contract and get the longest amount of road for the money.

Article 10. Will the town authorize the Selectmen to enter into an agreement with said commission for the carrying out of said work in the above article.

Voted, that they be authorized to do so.

Article 11. Will the town raise and appropriate a sum of money to rebuild River street as laid out by the County Commissioners?

Voted, to pass over this article.

Article 12. What compensation will the town make for removing snow and appropriate money for the same?

Voted, that 25 cents per hour be paid for removing snow and that the street railway excise tax be used as an appropriation.

Article 13. In what manner and time shall the taxes be collected the ensuing year?

Voted, that a discount of 2 per cent. be allowed in taxes paid on or before October 1st, that on all taxes not paid December 1st, interest be charged at the rate of 6 per cent. ; after April 1, 1906, the Collector shall issue summons and proceed to collect all unpaid taxes, and that the money shall be paid to the Treasurer or a deposit made by the Collector for all unpaid taxes on or before July 1, 1906.

Voted, that the Collector have the same powers in the collection of taxes that he would have if he were also town treasurer.

Voted, that the salary of the Collector be \$225.

Article 14. Will the town accept the list of jurors prepared by the Selectmen?

Horace T. Fogg, George C. Turner and Frank W. Jones were appointed by the moderator a committee to revise the jury list and the revised list was accepted.

James L. Litchfield
Walter S. Briggs
Charles H. Dyer
Arthur F. Stoddard

George H. Turner
Nathan S. Turner
Lebbeus Leach
George H. Tisdale

L. Frank Hammond
 Francis E. Henderson
 Wallace H. Damon
 James Appleford
 Henry J. Tolman
 Arthur C. Jones
 Herbert E. Robbins
 B. Parker Nichols
 Joseph F. Merritt

Ernest L. Henderson
 Charles D. Barnard
 Joseph H. Corthell
 John Whalen
 William O. Prouty
 Henry F. Ford
 George H. Bates
 Cassuis C. Merritt

Article 15. Will the town authorize the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to hire money in anticipation of taxes?

It was voted by a majority of the legal voters present and voting, that the Treasurer be and hereby is authorized, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow during the present municipal year, in anticipation of the collection of taxes, such sums of money as may be necessary for the current expenses of the town, but not exceeding the total tax levy for said year, giving the notes of the town therefor, payable within eighteen months from the date thereof. All debts incurred under the authority of this vote shall be paid from the taxes of the present municipal year.

Article 16. To hear and act on the report of any committee heretofore chosen.

The cemetery committee reported progress made in building receiving tomb.

Article 17. To make allowance to town creditors.

Voted, to allow James H. Barnard twenty-five cents an hour for time spent fighting fire near North River and also pay him for broom.

Article 18. What sum of money will the town appropriate for use of Post 112, G. A. R., on Memorial Day?

Voted, to raise and appropriate \$100.

Article 19. What sum of money will the town appropriate for the payment of state and military aid?

Voted, to appropriate \$2500.

Article 20. What sum of money will the town appropriate to pay the Superintendent of Schools?

Voted, to appropriate \$250.

Article 21. What sum of money will the town raise for repairs of schoolhouses and incidentals?

Voted, to pass over this article.

Article 22. Will the town cause a statement of their financial affairs to be printed in February next?

Voted, that a statement be printed.

Article 23. Will the town appropriate a sum of money to be expended in the cemetery on Washington street.

Voted, to raise and appropriate \$50. to be used in said cemetery.

Article 24. Will the town cause a new valuation to be taken in 1905.

Voted, to pass over this article.

Article 25. What price will the town pay for labor on the highways for the ensuing year?

Voted, to pay 20 cents per hour for labor, and to pay the Highway Surveyors \$2.50 a day.

Article 26. Will the town accept a legacy from James W. Sampson for the care of his lot in the cemetery at Norwell, near the Unitarian church, any part of the income from said legacy not used for the care of said lot to be used for the general improvement of said cemetery?

Voted, to accept the above named legacy.

Article 27. Will the town repair or fill up the well on Main street in front of the land of Albert J. Lovett?

Voted, that the well be repaired and put in proper condition by the Highway Surveyor in the East ward.

Article 28. To see if the town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to give the deed of the town to Church Hill Cemetery Corporation, conveying the interest of the town in the land at Church Hill, known as the "Old Burying Ground," and described as follows: Beginning on Church street at

the north westerly corner of land of the Church Parsonage ; thence easterly by said Parsonage land ; thence southerly by by said Parsonage land and land of William Appleford to Church street ; thence by Church street to River street ; thence by River street and Common avenue to the land conveyed by the town of Norwell to Joshua R. Barker and others ; thence by said land to land of Eugene Stetson ; thence southerly and westerly by said land of Eugene Stetson to Church street ; thence by Church street to the point of beginning ?

Voted, that the matter be referred to a committee of three, composed of citizens from the South ward, to investigate and report at the next annual meeting. Committee, Ezra E. Stetson, Joshua R. Barker, Melvin Little.

Article 29. Will the town give any instruction to the town officers ?

Voted, to refer to Road Surveyors, the matter of gravel screens.

Voted, to instruct the Selectmen not to call a town caucus next year.

Voted, that the Highway Surveyors house road roller at the almshouse, cause the road machine to be painted once a year, and house other tools at their respective places.

Voted, that the Highway Surveyor in East ward keep a separate account of cost of repairs on State road.

Voted, that the Highway Surveyors make a detailed report of work done on each street, also work done by each man on each street.

Voted, that the Highway Surveyors act as a board and spend the money appropriated for highway repairs where in their judgment it is most needed.

Voted, that the Selectmen make a more complete report next February, also to give estimates and suggestions as to the needs of the town.

Voted, that the School Committee be instructed to do away with transportation during the months of May, June,

September and October, except in certain cases where in the judgment of the committee it seems necessary for the benefit of children at a distance from the schools, to make a mileage allowance.

Voted, that the School Committee hire no teacher without the approval of the Superintendent of Schools.

Voted, that the Secretary of School Committee be paid \$50; the other members not over \$25 each for their services the ensuing year.

Article 30. Or act or do anything relative to the above.

Voted, that \$50 be appropriated for use of Tree Warden.

Voted, that all taxes be assessed on the polls and estates of residents and on the estates of non-residents.

The two fish rights were put up at public auction and were purchased by Charles S. Tilden, who gave \$5.50 for the first and \$5 for the second.

Voted, that the Moderator be paid \$5 for his services this day.

Voted, that this meeting be dissolved.

Attest :

JOSEPH F. MERRITT.

Town Clerk.

STATE ELECTION.

Pursuant to a warrant, duly executed, the qualified voters of the town of Norwell, met at the Town Hall, Tuesday, Nov. 7, 1905. The polls were opened at 6 a. m. and closed at 12 m. The whole number of ballots cast was 148, and on being counted in open meeting were found to be for the following persons :

GOVERNOR.

Charles W. Bartlett, Democratic	54
James F. Carey, Socialist	1
William H. Carroll, Socialist Labor	0
Curtis Guild, Jr., Republican	87
Willard O. Wylie, Prohibition	2
Blanks	4

LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR.

Thomos F. Brennan, Socialist Labor	0
Eben S. Draper, Republican	83
Patrick Mahoney, Socialist	0
John H. Smith, Prohibition	1
Henry M. Whitney, Democratic	58
Blanks	6

SECRETARY.

Charles C. Hitchcock, Socialist	0
Jonathan S. Lewis, Prohibition	3
Henry B. Little, Democratic	37
William M. Olin, Republican	95
Moritz E. Ruther, Socialist Labor	0
Blanks	13

TREASURER.

Christopher D. Aibro, Prohibition	3
David S. Brodeur, Socialist	0
Arthur B. Chapin, Republican	99
Joao Claudino, Socialist Labor	0
Daniel F. Doherty, Democratic	32
Blanks	1

AUDITOR.

Patrick J. Ashe, Democratic	33
Herbert B. Griffin, Prohibition	3
E. O. Frederik Hansson, Socialist Labor	0
Ambrose Miles, Socialist	0
Henry E. Turner, Republican	97
Blanks	15

ATTORNEY-GENERAL.

Allen Coffin, Prohibition	4
Henry C. Hess, Socialist Labor	0
John P. Leahy, Democratic	34
Dana Malone, Republican	95
John Weaver Sherman, Socialist	1
Blanks	14

COUNCILLOR—(FIRST DISTRICT.)

David G. Pratt, Republican	103
Joseph R. Smith, Socialist	5
Blanks	40

SENATOR—(FIRST PLYMOUTH DISTRICT).

William Seward Kyle, Republican	92
Henry N. Magoun, Democratic	36
George W. Severance, Prohibition	6
Flavel S. Thomas, Socialist	2
Blanks	12

REPRESENTATIVE IN GENERAL COURT.

(SECOND PLYMOUTH DISTRICT).

Joseph Sherman, Republican	112
Blanks	36

COUNTY COMMISSIONER—(PLYMOUTH)

Jere B. Howard, Republican	96
John Mann, Socialist	2
Nathaniel Morton, Democratic	37
Blanks	13

CLERKS' CONVENTION.

At a meeting of the Town Clerks of the towns comprising the Second Plymouth Representative District held Nov. 17, 1905, at the clerks' office in Marshfield, the vote for representative in the district was found to be as follows :

Whole number of ballots	920
Joseph Sherman	717
John Cummings	1
Blanks	202

Joseph Sherman, having a plurality of votes, was declared to be elected and his certificate made out in accordance therewith.

REGISTERED VOTERS.

At the close of registration, Oct. 28, 1905, there were 375 male and 3 female voters on the list.

ENROLLED MILITIA.

Number of men enrolled for military duty 232.

DOGS LICENSED.

The number of dogs licensed during the year ending Dec. 1, 1905, was as follows:

144 male dogs at \$2	\$288 00	
19 female dogs at \$5	95 00	
1 special breeder's license at \$25	25 00	
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		\$408 00
Less clerk's fees, 164 licenses at 20 cents		32 80
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Amount turned over to County Treasurer		\$375 20

MARRIAGES REGISTERED IN NORWELL DURING
THE YEAR 1905.

- June 29 At North Abington, Everett Eaton Corthell, of Norwell and Effie Loraine Sumner of North Abington, by Rev. DeMont Goodyear.
- July 2 At Cohasset, Harold Geleff Molin of Brockton and Edith Maria Osborne of Norwell, by Rev. Frank B. McAllister.
- July 22 At Hanover, Jacob Shaw of Weymouth and Annie E. Richardson of Norwell, by Rev. Melvin S. Nash.
- Aug. 27 At Weymouth, William A. Stoddard of Norwell and Ella F. Sanders of Abington, by Rev. Harry W. Kimball.
- Oct. 4 At Randolph, Frank Willard Damon of Norwell and Pearl Laurel Leighton of Rockland, by Rev. Manley B. Townsend.

- Nov. 29 At Rockland, James Frederick Crook of Rockland
and Nellie Aloysia Shehan of Norwell, by Rev.
James H. O'Neil.
- Dec. 18 At Waltham, B. Franklin B. Wright and Anna
Foster Joseph. both of Norwell, by Rev. Fred-
erick B. Greul.
- Dec. 27 At Hingham, Arthur Howard Sprague of Hing-
ham and Grace Alatheia Farrar of Norwell, by
Rev. Charles E. Park.

BIRTHS REGISTERED IN NORWELL DURING THE YEAR 1905

DATE OF BIRTH	NAME OF CHILD	NAME OF PARENTS	MAIDEN NAME OF MOTHER
1905			
January 6	Ellen G. White.....	Patrick and Ella.....	Pratt
7	Norma Lincoln Wilder.....	George H. and Alice F.....	Vining
March 17	Ethel Henderson.....	Harry and Edna.....	Clapp
31	Harry Milton Beach.....	Alden and Rachael.....	Winslow
April 14	Edward Maxwell Sexton.....	William E. and Catherine.....	Morrissey
May 4	Lawrence Cushing Sylvester.....	Alonzo C. and Harriet.....	Cronwell
5	Everett Clark Magoun.....	William E. and Catherine.....	McLeod
July 12	Paul Revere Hatch.....	George S. and Anna.....	Berger
23	Harold Austin Thomas.....	Stephen and Anna M.....	Gunderway
26	Emily Blanchard Simmons.....	Charles E. and Elizabeth A.....	Chandler
August 28	Harold Dean Fessenden.....	James and Mehitabel.....	Smith
3	Harold Francis Brouters.....	Luke and Abbie.....	Healey
6	Priscilla May Newcomb.....	Horace and Ethel.....	Carr
13	Lyle Lothrop Gay.....	Calvin E. and Jessie M.....	Stoddard
20	Katherine Ross Harris.....	Charles A. and Mary E.....	Ross
25	Laura Isabel Griffin.....	Joseph H. and Annie.....	Macdonald
31	Elsie Barnard.....	James H. and Emeline.....	Burrage
September 7	Lydia Esther Prince.....	John and Mary.....	Primm
October 9	Joseph Foster Merritt, Jr.....	Joseph F. and Alice G.....	Church
1903			
October 11	Charles Lawrence Smith.....	Charles H. and Josephine J.....	Barden
1904			
February 5	Stillborn.....	George A. and Mercy C.....	Brown
May 22	Katherine Turner.....	Ernest L. and Jennie.....	Chapman
December 24	Stillborn.....	Charles H. and Josephine J.....	Barden
August 1	Horace Fogg Henderson.....		
December 7	Beulah Jeannette Smith.....		

The Town Clerk hereby gives notice that he is prepared to furnish to parents, householders, physicians and midwives applying therefor blanks for returns of births, as required by law.

DEATHS RECORDED IN NORWELL DURING THE YEAR 1905

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DATE	NAME	AGE		CAUSE OF DEATH	BIRTHPLACE	PLACE OF DEATH
		Y.	M. D.			
January 13	Ann Jane Spellman (Killen)....	73	8 ..	Pneumonia	Ireland	Norwell
25	Wilbur F. Beale	69	2 ..	Prostatic disease... [heart	Hingham	"
30	Elizabeth T. Tolman (Hatch)...	60	11 12	Pneumonia, val. disease of	Marshfield	"
February 6	George E. Ainslie	74	.. ..	Pneumonia, val. disease of	Nova Scotia...	"
7	Ellen G. White .....	..	1 ..	Bronchitis	Norwell	"
10	Clarissa Robbins	91	8 ..	Bright's disease	Scituate	"
March 1	Vadilla Ann Gardner	22	2 27	Cerebral hemorrhage	Hingham	"
April 1	Charles H. Farrar	82	9 ..	Cerebral thrombosis	Scituate	"
3	Elizabeth Litchfield (Ellms)...	80	1 12	Organic dementia	Scituate	Westborough
11	Charles H. Tolman	74	.. ..	Cancer of stomach	Scituate	Norwell
May 11	Angeline V. Rogers	73	.. ..	Tuberculosis of lungs	Scituate	"
27	Mary T. S. Turner (Sparrell)...	78	4 ..	Bronchitis and fall	Boston	"
30	Eveline Torrey (Bowker)	84	.. ..	Natural causes	Scituate	"
June 20	Sarah H. Stockbridge (Turner) ..	87	7 23	Pyelitis	South Scituate.	Brockton
3	Edward B. Jones	33	9 3	Old age	Hingham	Norwell;
July 26	John W. Penniman	87	6 5	Antepartum hemorrhage ..	South Scituate.	"
August 5	Anna M. Thomas (Gunderway)	32	.. ..	Enterocolitis	Scituate	"
September 4	Simeon Damon	74	2 ..	Pleurisy	Pembroke	"
November 21	M. Augusta Robbins (Ewell)	71	5 ..	Senile dementia and cere-	Prince Edward	"
December 21	William R. Smith	66	.. ..	bral hemorrhage	[Island	

Number of marriages, 8. Number of births, 25. Number of deaths, 20.

Respectfully submitted,

JOSEPH F. MERRITT, Town Clerk.

Report of the Town Treasurer

Horace T. Fogg, treasurer, in account with town of Norwell.

DR.

To cash on hand January 19, 1905	\$3,517 27
Dog tax 1904 refunded	316 55
Income Massachusetts school fund	1,303 89
Refunded by Commonwealth :	
Corporation tax	2,671 74
National Bank tax	902 27
Inspection of Animals	15 50
Education of Children	136 00
State Aid	2,254 00
Street Railway tax	137 93
Tuition of children in small towns	300 00
State board of Education	467 16
Indigent and neglected children	15 00
State Highway	880 00
Refunded by Towns :	
Town of Whitman, aid	37 50
Town of Holbrook, aid	193 38
Town of Cohasset, aid	10 00
Town of Duxbury, aid	21 00
Town of Scituate, aid	56 00
Town of Marshfield, aid	92 75
Town of Canton, aid	156 00
Town of Hull, aid	41 00

Town of Rockland tuition	\$83 00
Personal aid refunded	71 00
Error on order refunded	4 40
Charles S. Tilden, fish rights	10 50
Estate of Angeline S. Rogers	9 50
Charles A. Litchfield, auctioneer's license	1 00
James H. Pinkham, auctioneer's license	1 00
Harry S. Merritt, pool room license	2 00
Otis H. Perry, pool room license	2 00
L. W. Osborn, pool room and bowling alley license	6 00
Charles H. Wilder, butcher's license	1 00
Charles L. Gleason, pedler's license	6 00
John Monahan, pedler's license	3 00
Sale of lots in cemetery	30 00
James H. Pinkham, superintendent of almshouse	226 59
South Scituate Savings Bank, anticipa- tion notes	3,500 00
South Scituate Savings Bank, highway loan	1,500 00
Interest on temporary deposit	50 55
A. J. Litchfield, collector, balance of 1904 assessment	3,271 08
A. J. Litchfield, collector, interest on 1904 taxes	42 39
A. J. Litchfield, collector, 1905 assess- ment	10,349 73
A. J. Litchfield, collector, interest on 1905 taxes	58 26
A. J. Litchfield, collector, Excise tax 1905	213 97
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	\$32,967 91

CR.

By cash paid on orders of Selectmen and School Committee	\$21,612 10
Post 112, G. A. R., by vote of town	100 00
Alpheus Thomas, Moderator by vote of town	5 00
Police officers Second District Court	80 93
South Scituate Savings Bank, anticipa- tion notes 1904	2,000 00
South Scituate Savings Bank, interest 1904 notes	53 34
South Scituate Savings Bank, anticipa- tion notes 1905	3,500 00
South Scituate Savings Bank, interest on 1905 notes	68 70
South Scituate Savings Bank, interest on time loan	182 50
Interest on A. T. Otis poor fund note	52 00
Interest on Coffin poor fund note	80 00
F. W. Varney, collector, Scituate tax	5 89
Albert Davis, treasurer, County tax	1,687 43
Arthur B. Chapin, treasurer, State tax	1,560 00
Cash on hand to balance	1,980 02
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	\$32,967 91

Respectfully submitted,

HORACE T. FOGG,
Treasurer.

Tax Collector's Report.

Andrew J. Litchfield in account with the town of Norwell :

DR.

To outstanding taxes of 1904	\$3,271 08
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By cash paid treasurer	\$2,636 76
By cash deposited with treasurer to re- lieve bondsmen	634 32
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	\$3,271 08

DR.

To assessment of 1905	\$13,887 19
To excise tax of 1905	213 97
To interest collected on taxes	58 26
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	\$14,159 42

CR.

By cash paid treasurer	\$10,349 73
By excise tax paid treasurer	213 97
By interest paid treasurer	58 26

By discount on taxes	\$142 54
1905 taxes outstanding	3,394 92

\$14,159 42

Respectfully submitted,

ANDREW J. LITCHFIELD,
Collector.

TAXES ABATED.

Walter L. Boynton	\$2 00
Lucy Gunderway Estate	5 36
Stanley Griffin	2 00
George Ainslie	2 00
David H. Bates	3 20
Alden Beach	2 00
David Griffith	7 60
Harry N. Marden	3 44
Arthur Marden	2 00
Ashburton W. Pinson	8 00
L. C. Sylvester Estate	08
W. J. Gorrie	2 00
Alden Briggs	08
H. Melissa Cushing	08
Isabella Farrar	80
Joseph Thompson	08
Sophia Turner	08
Robert Gray	2 00
James H. Barnard	80
Frederick Jones	2 00
James W. Smith	2 00
William A. Knight	2 00
Herbert G. Simmons	64

Celia Wilder	\$ 80
Benjamin Briggs	12 80
Henry Bates	2 00
Laban Bates	2 40
George A. Jackman	2 00
Charles E. McPherson	2 00
Joseph Meyers	3 20
Bernard Randall	2 00
James H. Costello	2 00
Edward C. Jordan	2 48
Emery Winslow	2 00
Anthony Collamore Heirs	08
Joshua Studley	08
Michael Sylvester Heirs	08
Charles David	3 60
J. H. Whitman	08
J. H. Crocker	2 00
Henry A. Pratt	2 00
Edward B. Young	2 00
Arthur L. Pratt	2 64
Edward B. Jones	2 00

\$98 48

Assessors' Report.

Value of buildings	\$465,643 00
Value of land	229,547 00
Value of personal property	164,489 00
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	\$859,679 00

State tax	\$1,560 00
County tax	1,687 43
Town tax	10,400 00
Over-layings	239 76
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Total tax	\$13,887 19

Street railway excise tax	\$213 97
Assessors' warrant to collector	13,887 19
Rate of taxation, per thousand	15 00

Number of polls assessed, 496.
Paying poll tax only, 170.
Horses assessed, 367.
Cows assessed, 218.
Sheep assessed, 36.
Swine assessed, 51.
Fowl assessed, 6,297.
Number of dwelling houses assessed, 456.
Number of acres of land assessed, 12,015.

Report of Overseers of the Poor.

ALMSHOUSE ACCOUNT.

Articles on hand, Jan. 1, 1905	\$421 00
J. H. Pinkham, salary	300 00
H. S. Turner & Co., supplies	86 54
Curtis & Bates, supplies	121 07
A. A. Page, fish	2 98
Seth Foster, wood	21 00
J. H. Sparrell, carting	6 00
Geo. F. Welch, supplies	14 73
Geo. F. Welch, 11 tons coal	74 25
Samuel Olsen, fish	18 28
Turner Bros., seed	4 35
C. W. & E. H. Sparrell, burial of Angeline Rogers	25 00
E. A. Jacobs, work on town farm	4 00
A. L. Power, pigs	16 00
A. J. Litchfield & Son, grain	132 10
A. J. Litchfield & Son, supplies	34 55
Eveline Torrey, hay	9 92
W. W. Cutler, provisions	31 02
Wm. R. Vinal, cow	40 00
J. H. Pinkham, clothing for E. Fernald	2 00
J. J. Estes, druggist, truss for C. Lincoln	4 50
Geo. H. Turner, fertilizer	35 00
Frank Thomas, stock service	2 00
John Monohan, dry goods	15 73

C. W. Tilden, smith work	\$13 20	
H. J. Little, M. D., attendance	12 00	
Corthell Bros., provisions	54 18	
J. H. Pinkham, articles bought for cash	62 16	
	<hr/>	\$1,563 56

JAMES H. PINKHAM ACCOUNT.

Dr.

Cash on hand Jan. 1, 1905,	\$1 20	
Articles sold	287 55	
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Bought for cash	\$62 16	
Cash paid to treasurer	226 59	
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ALMSHOUSE RECEIPTS.

Cash on hand	\$1 20
Milk	101 82
Eggs	26 54
Fertilizer	1 50
Mowing for Amos Tilden	1 13
Fowl	7 35
Half hog to I. A. Lincoln	11 48

Dressed hog to Corthell Bros.	\$21 42
Cow to Chas Brewster	20 00
Hay to C. W. Sparrell	10 96
Vegetables to E. A. Turner	7 17
3 calves to Corthell Bros.	20 38
Vegetables	57 80

\$288 75

ARTICLES ON HAND DEC. 31, 1905.

One horse	\$40 00
Fowl	25 00
Two cows	75 00
Manure	25 00
Hay	60 00
Lumber	10 00
Potatoes	10 00
Onions	3 00
Turnips	2 50
Beans	4 00
Cabbage	2 00
Mangels	8 00
Carrots	20 00
Wood	20 00
Groceries	12 00
Pumpkins	1 00
Squash	1 00
Coal	60 00
Pork	10 00

\$388 50

SUMMARY OF ALMSHOUSE ACCOUNT.

Total expenditures	\$1,563 56
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ALMSHOUSE CREDITS.

Articles sold	\$288 75
Articles on hand Dec. 31, 1905	388 50
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	\$677 25
Net cost of Almshouse including 10 tramps	\$886 31

OUT-DOOR POOR.

David Griffith and Wife.

W. D. Turner, wood	\$23 50
H. J. Little, M. D.	3 50
G. F. Welch, coal	21 75
W. O. Merritt, wood	3 50
South Scituate bank interest	18 00
Mary Phillips, labor	1 20
Curtis & Bates, supplies	5 67
E. M. Sexton, milk	21 90
G. H. Turner, wood	6 00
John Monahan, dry goods	9 09
A. J. Litchfield & Son	75 43
Corthell Bros., meat	26 59
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	\$216 13

Sarah A. Studley.

Cash	\$52 00	
H. J. Little, M. D.	31 00	
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		\$83 00

George Litchfield.

Thomas Howe, supplies	\$20 00
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James H. Costello, Wife and Five Children.

F. E. Henderson, wood	\$5 00	
C. L. Howe, M. D.	65 00	
Curtis & Bates, supplies	44 00	
A. J. Litchfield & Son, supplies	32 00	
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		\$146 00

Mrs. Wallace Chappel.

Paid town of Hingham	\$122 40
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Henry W. Winslow and Family.

A. L. Ford, supplies	\$3 13	
John Monahan, dry goods	2 63	
H. J. Little, M. D.	59 50	
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		\$65 26

Calvin Talbot.

J. C. Crowell, Jr., nursing	\$54 00
Rhoda Winslow, board	21 00

F. W. Bowker, clothing	3 45	
Town of Hanover, medical attendance	61 50	
	<hr/>	\$139 95

Anna M. Thomas.

C. W. & E. H. Sparrell, burial	\$25 00
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Alonzo C. Sylvester.

H. J. Little, M. D.	\$23 00
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Mary A. Gardner.

John S Brooks, supplies	\$55 69	
H. J. Little, M. D.	43 50	
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Arthur G. Lincoln.

Town of Hanover, supplies	\$11 50	
E. E. Stetson	4 87	
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E. F. Ainslie and Family.

Paid town of Hanover	\$147 04
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Henry Gunderway.

Paid town of Hanover	\$37 75
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E. E. Gunderway.

A. J. Litchfield & Son, supplies	\$52 00
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Benjamin Briggs and Family.

A. J. Litchfield & Son, supplies	\$78 00
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L. Cromwell.

H. J. Little, M. D.	\$4 50
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Albert Winslow.

H. J. Little, M. D.	\$1 00
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Eveline Cromwell.

H. J. Little, M. D.	\$3 50
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Grace E. Studley.

Paid city of Boston	\$31 43
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AID TO PERSONS HAVING SETTLEMENT IN
OTHER TOWNS.

Chester Taylor, Scituate

H. S. Turner & Co., supplies	\$38 00
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Bernard Randall, Duxbury

H. S. Turner & Co., supplies	\$10 00
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Josiah W. Chamberlain, Holbrook.

Phillips, Bates & Co, coal	\$19 13	
M. Little, supplies	104 00	
F. E. Henderson, wood	3 00	
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Laban Bates, Hull.

Curtis & Bates, supplies	\$9 00	
H. S. Turner & Co.	9 00	
	<hr/>	\$18 00

George A. Jackman, Lynn.

A. J. Litchfield & Son, supplies	\$20 00	
Curtis & Bates	4 00	
	<hr/>	\$24 00

C. E. McPherson, Canton.

A. J. Litchfield & Son, supplies	\$156 00
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Josephine Keen, Pembroke.

H. E. Fairbanks, supplies	\$3 00
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William Sears, Plymouth.

H. J. Little, M. D.	\$1 50
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Due from Scituate, board of E. Fernald at Almshouse	\$43 50
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SUMMARY OF POOR ACCOUNT.

Total amount paid for out-door poor	\$1,688 15	
Net cost of Almhouse	886 31	
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		\$2,574 46
Due from other towns		420 13
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Net cash of poor		\$2,154 33

ALPHEUS THOMAS,
 EZRA E. STETSON,
 ERNEST H. SPARRELL,
 Overseers of the Poor.

Removing Snow.

WEST WARD.

W. S. Briggs	\$14 62
Benjamin Loring	30 00
William F. Pratt	5 00
Charles H. Baker	5 00
Albion Damon	5 25
William Osborn	2 00
H. Howard	4 25
Henry Maine	1 00
John Osborn	2 00
F. Jones	3 13
Walter Simmons	36 50
Frank Damon	2 19
William Damon	4 25
E. A. Damon	4 25
Charles Cutler	4 50
Wallace Hackett	31 50
C. Brett	1 25
George Vinal	5 00
Joseph Totman	2 37
Frank Richardson	3 00
Leonard Richardson	3 00
Nelson Osborn	3 00
Frank Osborn	4 50
Harold Osborn	3 00
Henry Leavitt	3 25
Robert Leavitt	3 25

Lyman Lincoln	\$4 62
A. A. Vinal	2 50
Patrick Gammon	2 00
Gardner Prescott	1 87
H. Newcomb	3 50
G. H. Bates	4 62
Archie F. Merritt	1 00
Alpheus Thomas	3 25
A. W. Thomas	4 62
Charles Scully	1 50
Bernard Scully	3 00
H. F. Penniman	3 50
E. L. Loring	2 25
Joseph Griffin	1 50
George Farrar	2 00
Peter Sheenan	3 75
Andrew Clapp	2 00
Joshua Freeman	2 00
Alvin Baker	2 00
Chester Whiting	1 75
Joseph Sharks	2 50
H. F. Mann	50
W. H. Farrar	2 00
A. J. Parr	2 00
William E. Magoun	1 00
William Loring	1 50
B. B. Poole	1 25
Carlton Pinson	1 50
William Lapham	2 44
Simeon Damon	62
O. D. Burhoff	2 00
A. Damon	2 87
Wallace H. Damon	2 50
Charles E. Brewster	18 75
Edwin C. Briggs	1 75

 \$283 47

SOUTH WARD.

E. A. Jacobs	\$55 50
John H. Sparrell	17 25
Harold Sexton	4 50
N. Frank Studley	9 75
Lorenzo Cromwell	7 50
Alexander Black	8 25
E. F. Freeman	7 50
Allen P. Merritt	4 75
James Smith	5 50
George E. Sylvester	8 25
Edgar E. Lee	7 25
George Lee	7 25
Richard Winslow	9 50
Henry Gunderway	4 00
Robert Smith	4 50
Charles Smith	3 25
Clarence Winslow	69
Jesse Winslow	69
T. Appleford	8 37
Charles Appleford	45
Elmer Henderson	2 00
Walter Smith	38
Malcolm Howland	13
John Appleford	1 75
Charles Simmons	3 00
John Weaver	1 25
W. C. Barnard	4 75
James Winslow	50
Harry Snowdale	50
Francis E. Henderson	58 00
E. P. Joseph	13 50
Alonzo C. Sylvester	2 25
George Prince	5 50
L. F. Hammond	4 25

Charles Hammond	\$4 25
Will Sexton	6 50
Harry Merritt	2 25
Fred Kidder	1 00
Harry Perry	2 25
Ernest Merritt	2 25
Charles Gardner	2 00
Harold E. Stetson	2 38
I. D. Chenevert	75
Dan Chenevert	75
A. J. Litchfield & Son, shovels	1 50

\$298 34

EAST WARD.

Herbert Litchfield	\$2 00
Caleb Litchfield	2 00
Carl Litchfield	2 00
Harry Brown	2 00,
Harry P. Henderson	2 87
Clarence C. Hook	2 37
Alvin Spencer	82
Ernest L. Merritt	1 50
Howard Delano	3 87
Fred Delano	90
Elwin Tilden	2 25
Amos H. Tilden	9 25
Ernest L. Henderson	9 25
Howard Brooks	2 50
Clarence E. Joseph	1 80
William Leslie	60
John E. Leslie	2 00
Arthur Carr	2 50

William J. Henderson	\$3 87
Carlton Litchfield	6 87
Claude Ainslie	1 00
John Ryan	2 00
Charles Bates, Jr.	2 00
Charles M. Leavitt	1 75
Charles Bates	2 00
E. P. Joseph	82 75
Luther Litchfield	1 25
Allie Litchfield	2 00
Percy Litchfield	2 00
Ralph Merritt	2 50
Cassius C. Merritt	2 00
Harry G. Pinson	2 13
Frank Burns	1 50
Henry F. Spencer	12
Eddie Bates	1 75
William H. Spencer	1 13

\$169 10

Soldiers' Relief.

Charles H. Totman.

Cash	\$22 00	
Alpheus Thomas, cash expended	19 50	
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Benjamin F. Lee.

Mrs. R. S. Winslow, care and board	\$31 00	
Town of Hanover, medical aid	69 25	
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		\$141 25

Soldiers' Burial.

Charles H. Totman	\$35 00	
Sylvia Little	35 00	
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Due from state		\$70 00

State Aid Paid in 1905.

Ainslie, Peter	\$60 00
Barnard, Charles D.	50 00
Bassford, David	72 00
Bassford, Amanda	48 00
Coleman, Amanda	48 00
Coleman, Abbie F.	24 00
Chapman, Timothy B.	60 00
Corthell, John	36 00
Chamberlain, Josiah W.	72 00
Damon, Ensign B.	72 00
Damon, Lucy	36 00
Dover, Hannah	24 00
Dyer, Frank	48 00
David, Charles	72 00
Damon, Maria B.	36 00
Ewell, Daniel R.	72 00
Fuller, Warren	72 00
Fuller, Hannah	48 00
Fitts, Seth O.	60 00
French, Matthias	72 00
Goodwin, Tirzah	12 00
Hatch, Sarah	48 00
Hatch, George A.	60 00
Howard, John H.	48 00
Leavitt, Charles M.	48 00
Morse, William H.	48 00
Merritt, William O.	60 00

Poole, Benjamin B.	48 00
Prouty, Benjamin W.	48 00
Pierce, Diana	48 00
Rand, William H.	36 00
Robinson, David P.	36 00
Raymond, Harriet	48 00
Shepherd, Mary	48 00
Stone, William E.	72 00
Studley, Edwin	58 00
Smith, Albert T.	48 00
Totman, Charles H.	18 00
Totman, Rebecca H.	36 00
Torrey, George O.	72 00
Tolman, George T.	60 00
Williams, James H.	72 00
Winslow, Albert	44 00
Whitney, John S.	72 00
Young, Esther M.	48 00

Approved by Commissioner and due
from state

\$2,308 00

Highways.

WEST WARD.

E. A. Damon	\$22 40
W. H. Farrar	36 50
Andrew Clapp	8 20
C. H. Tibbetts	12 60
Winslow Gardner	5 40
Charles Scully	6 60
Geo. H. Bates	5 40
William J. Hayden	47 00
Henry W. Maine	59 20
Henry L. Studley	26 40
Otto D. Burhoff	6 90
Charles H. Wilder	7 20
Simeon Damon	8 20
Charles E. Brewster	18 00
Charles Cutler	12 60
George H. Vinal	11 20
D. Fred Bates	17 00
Joseph Briggs	15 00
Walter Simmons	252 02
Robert N. Leavitt	46 80
Gardner Prescott	29 60
Thomas Hill	3 60
Alden Damon	7 80
Benjamin Loring	65 50
Walter Briggs	18 00

Albion Damon	\$4 40
Geo. A. Turner, railing at Jacobs' pond	56 73
Elisha Sprague, 141 loads gravel at 6c	8 46
Mrs. Veasy, 24 loads gravel at 6c	1 44
Bela Jacobs Estate, 200 loads gravel at 6c	12 00
Burt Richardson, 23 loads gravel at 6c	1 38

\$813 53

HOW THE MONEY WAS SPENT—WEST WARD.

General repairs, scraping, picking stones, mowing bushes, etc.	\$380 89
Railing at Jacobs' pond	36 73
Prospect street	100 88
South street	50 70
Mt. Hope street	20 78
Washington street	88 60
Main street	95 35
Grove street	34 60
Jacobs avenue	5 00

\$813 53

SOUTH WARD.

F. E. Henderson, 27 days at \$2.50	\$67 50
Two men and 4 horses, 83 hours at \$1.00	83 00
Man and 2 horses, 116 hours at 50c	58 00
Man and 3 horses, 10 hours at 66 2-3c	6 67
Man and horse, 63 hours at 33 1-3c	21 00
Horse, 51 hours at 16 2-3c	8 50
Man, 50 hours at 20c	10 00

William Briggs, 4 horses, 50 hours	\$33 33
Nathan Turner, man and 2 horses, 93 3-4 hours at 50c	46 87
W. C. Barnard, 101 1-2 hours at 20c	20 30
Man, 101 1-2 hours at 20c	20 30
Horse, 79 hours at 16 2-3c	13 17
W. O. Merritt, man and horse, 123 1-2 hours at 33 1-3c	41 17
Edwin C. Briggs, 50 hours at 20c	10 00
Walter Briggs, 50 hours at 20c	10 00
James Studley, 277 hours at 20c	55 40
Charles Simmons, 314 hours at 20c	62 80
Albion Snowdale, 228 hours at 20c	45 60
William R. Smith, 128 hours at 20c	25 60
George Lee, 137 hours at 20c	27 40
Charles Smith, 51 hours at 20c	10 20
Robert Smith, 51 hours at 20c	10 20
James Smith, 52 hours at 20c	10 40
Frank Dyer, 52 hours at 20c	10 40
William H. Appleford, 4 hours at 20c	80
Emery Winslow, 43 hours at 20c	8 60
Richard Winslow, 43 hours at 20c	8 60
Robert McKee, 44 hours at 20c	8 80
C. E. Barnard, 52 hours at 20c	10 40
John Weaver, 36 hours at 20c	7 20
Elmer Henderson, 59 hours at 20c	11 80
Henry A. Turner, 10 hours at 20c	2 00
G. C. Turner, 5 hours at 20c	1 00
George E. White, 8 hours at 20c	1 60
Fred W. Capell, material and repairs on railings on River street	34 81
H. N. Magoun, 16 feet of 8-inch tile	4 00
H. D. Smith, repairs on watering fountain	1 50
Repairs on road machine	12 25
A. J. Litchfield & Son, rakes	1 00

Carrie Ford, printing	\$1 00
H. A. Turner, gravel	78
Seth Foster, gravel	1 86
Emma Bates, gravel	9 72
Gilbert West, gravel	12 06

\$847 59

F. E. HENDERSON,
Surveyor.

HOW MONEY WAS SPENT—SOUTH WARD.

Scraping in ruts, raking, carting off waste	\$151 11
Picking stones	15 00
Gravelling on Main and Circuit streets	200 00
Gravelling on River street	175 00
Gravelling on Tiffany Road and Com- mon street	107 00
New railings on River street	43 18
Repairs on watering fountain	1 50
Relaying bridges and tile on River and Main streets	25 00
Cleaning out gutters	20 00
Mowing bushes	109 80

\$847 59

F. E. HENDERSON,
Surveyor.

EAST WARD.

E. P. Joseph, 19 1-2 days at \$2.50	\$48 75
Four horses and 2 men, 97 hours at \$1.00	97 00
Two horses, man 102 hours at 50c	51 00
Four horses, man 18 hours at 83 1-3c	15 00
Horse 31 hours	5 12
Two men 324 hours at 40c	129 60
J. H. Hatch and 2 horses, 99 hours at 50c	49 50
John Burnes and 2 horses, 102 hours at 50c	51 00
Henry C. Ford and 2 horses, 81 hours at 50c	40 50
George H. Turner and 2 horses, 73 hours at 50c	36 50
Jesse Reed and 2 horses, 54 hours at 50c	27 00
John T. Moody and 2 horses, 43 hours at 50c	21 50
Carlton O. Litchfield and 2 horses, 27 hours at 50c	13 50
John Whalen and horse, 41 hours at 33 1-3	13 67
John Whalen and horse, 282 hours at 20c	56 40
Seth O. Fitts, 29 hours at 20c	5 80
Seth O. Fitts and horse, 5 hours at 33 1-3c	1 67
Alexander Black, 203 hours at 20c	40 60
Caleb Litchfield, 124 hours at 20c	24 80
J. Martin Reed, 78 hours at 20c	15 60
Wallace Henderson, 77 1-2 hours at 20c	15 50
Frank Burns, 52 hours at 20c	10 40
Edward C. Jacobs, 46 hours at 20c	9 20
Chester Fitts, 28 1-2 hours at 20c	5 70
Henry Leavitt, 28 hours at 20c	5 60
Charles Bates, 25 hours at 20c	5 00

Harry G. Pinson, 21 1-2 hours at 20c	\$4 30
Joseph Totman, 25 1-2 hours at 20c	5 10
F. M. Curtis, 18 hours at 20c	3 60
John T. Hatch, 19 hours at 20c	3 80
Harry Litchfield, 16 hours at 20c	3 20
Frank L. Thomas, 319 loads of gravel at 6c	19 14
John W. Burns, 200 loads of gravel at 6c	12 00
George Vinal, 89 loads of gravel at 6c	5 34
John T Moody, 52 loads of gravel at 6c	3 12

\$855 51

HOW THE MONEY WAS SPENT—EAST WARD.

General repairs, scraping and picking stones	\$140 70
Gravel Main street	210 66
Gravel Lincoln street	75 60
Gravel Winter street	74 40
Gravel Central street	58 60
Gravel Cross street	52 40
Gravel Norwell avenue	37 50
Gravel Summer street	16 20
Gravel Bridge street	6 40
Mowing bushes	94 70
660 loads of gravel	39 60
E. P. Joseph, 19 1-2 days at \$2.50	48 75

\$855 51

Gypsy and Browntail Moths.

Since our last annual meeting the Gypsy and Browntail moths have been found to exist in our town, and under the direction of the State Superintendent we have had them removed from the trees that border our highways. With the co-operation of every property owner, we feel that it is a comparatively easy matter to rid the town of these pests which are doing so much damage in other sections of the state.

EXPENDED FOR SUPPRESSION OF MOTHS.

Curtis & Bates, supplies	\$4 35
John H. Sparrell, local superintendent	35 35
Ernest L. Loring, labor	6 40
Walter H. Briggs, labor	11 20

\$57 30

Town Officers 1905.

Horace T. Fogg, treasurer	\$100 00
George Cushing, auditor	20 00
Joseph F. Merritt, town clerk	64 10
Joseph F. Merritt, recording births, marriages and deaths	17 80
Alpheus Thomas, selectman, assessor, and overseer of poor	156 00
Ezra E. Stetson, selectmen, assessor, and overseer of poor	143 05
Ernest H. Sparrell, selectman, assessor, and overseer of poor	104 00
Mary E. Curtis, secretary school com- mittee	45 00
Benjamin Loring, school committee	25 00
George C. Turner, school committee	24 45
John H. Prouty, registrar of voters	15 00
William H. Appleford, registrar of voters	15 00
Charles A. Berry, registrar of voters	15 00
Andrew J. Litchfield, tax collector	225 00
Walter T. Osborn, services and ex- penses constable	32 00
J. Warren Foster, services and expenses constable	16 00
William E. Wilder, services and ex- penses constable	15 00
Everett E. Chamberlain, services and expenses constable	10 00

Fréd W. Capell, services and expenses		
constable	\$7 50	
J. Warren Foster, inspector of animals	29 50	
Charles Scully, election officer	3 00	
John Whalen, election officer	3 00	
Dr. H. J. Little, services board of health	5 35	
Alpheus Thomas, services board of health	5 58	
J. Frank Gear, supplies to board of health	3 00	
John Whalen, acting tree warden	3 00	
E. P. Joseph, acting tree warden	8 75	
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CEMETERY.

H. L. House, labor and supplies	\$40 06	
Chas. H. Lapham, labor	4 71	
Chas. Tibbetts, labor	2 60	
John W. Brown, labor	2 60	
Geo. H. Bates, labor	2 60	
Winslow Gardner, labor	1 60	
E. C. Briggs, scraping driveway 1904		
and 1905	9 50	
J. H. Sparrell, suppression of gypsy moths	85	
	<hr/>	\$64 52
Received for sale of lots	\$30 00	

TOWN TOMB.

Appropriation		\$500 00
Expended in 1904	\$257 61	
A. B. Reed, lime.	1 20	
C. Callahan, labor	75 00	

Wm. H. Farrar, labor	\$10 00
Phillips, Bates & Co., supplies	11 37

\$355 18

TOWN HALL ACCOUNT.

John F. Turner, repairs	\$20 65
Daniel W. Ross, repairs	2 50
Levi N. Osborne, repairs	2 50
H. S. Turner & Co., supplies	79
Fred J. Croning, janitor	25 00
A. J. Litchfield & Son, supplies	55

\$51 99

TOWN INCIDENTALS.

Horace T. Fogg, Fore River bridge hearings	\$100 00
Horace T. Fogg, Insurance on Town hall	22 00
Horace T. Fogg, Insurance on Griffith place	2 10
Horace T. Fogg, services as fire warden	9 00
William D. Turner, services Sampson and Barrell fires	3 00
A. J. Litchfield, Jr., services fire	1 00
Lorenzo Cromwell, services watching fire	1 50
Services at W. Hackett fire : C. A. Brett, Robert Leavitt	3 50
J. Henry Leavitt	1 75
A. L. Richardson	1 75

Earl Richardson	\$1 75
Nelson Osborn	1 75
John H. Sparrell	2 00
Cohasset Fire Department	26 75
F. E. Henderson, services fire warden	10 00
Services at Stoddard fire : W. H. Briggs	88
E. W. Henderson	2 25
A. B. Whiting	1 63
C. S. Deane	1 00
William C. Tolman	1 75
Services at Nash fire : William O. Merritt	1 50
D. R. Ewell	1 50
Services at Winter street fire : C. O. Keene	1 25
E. C. Jacobs	1 00
Howard Delano	75
Elwin Tilden	75
C. W. & E. H. Sparrell, returning deaths, 1904	5 25
C. W. & E. H. Sparrell, returning deaths, 1905	4 00
C. W. & E. H. Sparrell, team and cash advanced to state engineers	7 00
Returning births . G. Osgood, M. D.	3 50
Joseph Frame, M. D.	1 25
C. E. Knight, M. D.	50
H. J. Little, M. D.	2 25
Town of Marshfield, care and repairs	
Union bridge	8 10
Walter R. Torrey, legal services 1899 to 1905	78 00
Rockland Standard Pub. Co., town reports	88 00
Rockland Standard Pub. Co., voting lists	20 85
Rockland Standard Pub. Co., town meeting warrants	3 00
Carrie M. Ford, printing and stationery	25 75
E. L. Slocum, printing check book	7 50

H. W. Dolbeare, assessors' notices	\$1 00
E. H. Sparrell, slaughter house licenses	75
P. B. Murphy, dog license book	2 50
Thos. Groom & Co., tax book	3 50
Mary E. Curtis, stamps, and envelopes for treasurer	10 54
Mary E. Curtis, supplies and stamps for town office	12 50
A. J. Litchfield, cash paid for postage	14 44
H. S. Turner & Co., stationery	25
A. J. Litchfield & Son, supplies to town office	1 47
A. J. Litchfield & Son, supplies to fire warden	88
E. E. Stetson, stationery	1 68
Southern Massachusetts Telephone Co.	2 81
H. N. Magoun, repairs on town pump	3 00
E. A. Turner, for board of state engineers	9 00
Chas. E. Simmons, repairing Delano Hill water supply	4 75
Helen L. Fogg, rent of vault	8 00
W. D. Turner, stakes for state engineers	3 50
Town of Pembroke, seeding pond	7 50
Alpheus Thomas, bounty on woodchucks 1904	50
E. A. Turner, telephone tolls	20

\$548 06

RECAPITULATION.

Taxes abated	\$98 48
Highway expenditures	2,516 63
Snow expenditures	750 91

Town officers	\$1,085 40
Town hall	51 99
Town incidentals	448 06
Cemetery expenditures	64 52
Tomb expenditures	97 57
Almshouse expenditures	1,563 56
Aid to out-door poor	1,688 15
Soldiers' relief	141 75
Soldiers' burial	70 00
State aid	2,308 00

CREDITS.

Refunded by state on account of soldiers' burial	175 00
Almshouse credits	677 25
State aid	2,308 00
Due from the state for cattle inspection	14 75
Cemetery sale of lots	30 00
Refunded by towns on account of poor	420 13

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

LIABILITIES.

Notes in favor of South Scituate Savings bank	\$6,000 00
Note in favor of the Coffin fund	2,000 00
Note in favor of the Otis fund	1,300 00
Due to other towns for support of poor (estimated)	200 00

ASSETS.

Due from State for state aid	\$2,308 00
Due from Towns for aid to poor	420 13
Due from State for soldiers' burial	175 00

Due from State for inspection of cattle	\$14 75
Cash in hands of treasurer	1,980 02
Uncollected taxes	3,395 92

AUDITOR'S REPORT.

NORWELL, JAN. 19, 1906.

I have examined the accounts of the treasurer, selectmen and collector and find them cast correctly and vouchers for all amounts paid.

GEO. CUSHING,
Auditor.

List of Jurors.

List of persons qualified to serve as jurors, to be presented to the town for acceptance or revision.

James L. Litchfield	Farmer
Arthur T. Stoddard	Shoecutter
L. Frank Hammond	Farmer
Henry J. Tolman	Carpenter
Arthur C. Jones	Artist
Lebbeus Leach	Retired
George H. Tisdale	Shoestitcher
Joseph H. Corthell	Retired
George H. Bates	Retired
Walter S. Briggs	Farmer
Benjamin P. Nichols	Carpenter
Herbert E. Robbins	Clerk
Seth O. Fitts	Farmer
John E. Leslie	Sawyer
Harrison Wilder	Retired
Seth Foster	Retired
E. Gerry Bates	Trader
Josiah W. Chamberlain, Jr.	Shoeworker
Charles E. Simmons	Carpenter
Clifton S. Deane	Teacher
Robert C. Henderson	Shoecutter
James E. Stoddard	Shoeworker
H. Wilbur Swan	Retired
Alpheus Thomas	Shoeworker
Henry A. Turner	Farmer
Minot Williamson	Veterinary

Town Officers 1905.

Town clerk, Joseph F. Merritt.

Town Treasurer, Horace T. Fogg.

Tax Collector, Andrew J. Litchfield.

Selectmen, Assessors and Overseers of the Poor, Alpheus Thomas, Ezra E. Stetson, Ernest H. Sparrell.

School Committee, Mary E. Curtis, Benjamin Loring, George C. Turner.

Board of Health, Dr. H. J. Little, Alpheus Thomas, Clifton S. Deane.

Constables and Field Drivers, Walter T. Osborn, William E. Wilder, J. Warren Foster, Fred W. Capell.

Road Commissioners, Emanuel P. Joseph, Walter Simmons, Francis E. Henderson.

Cemetery Committee, George W. Curtis, Joseph H. Curtis, Alpheus Thomas.

Auditor, George Cushing.

Town Physician, Dr. H. J. Little.

Tree Warden, John Corthell.

APPOINTED BY SELECTMEN.

Fire Wardens and Forest Fire Wardens, Horace T. Fogg, Alpheus W. Thomas, Clifford A. Brett, Henry J. Tolman, Francis E. Henderson, Jesse Reed.

Surveyors of Lumber, Wood and Bark, William S. Simmons, J. Frank Turner, William D. Turner, Harry P. Henderson, Andrew Stockbridge, Francis E. Henderson,

Thomas Barstow, John H. Prouty, Wallace Hackett, Joseph Briggs, John Whalen.

Inspector of Animals, J. Warren Foster.

Burial Agent, Edwin A. Turner.

Pound Keeper, James H. Pinkham.

Sealer of Weights and Measures, Edwin A. Turner.

Keeper of Lockup, James H. Pinkham.

Registrars of Voters, Edward M. Sexton, William H. Appleford, John H. Prouty.

Report of Trustees.

TWENTIETH ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

TRUSTEES OF THE A. T. OTIS POOR FUND.

Loaned on town note	\$1,300 00	
In Savings bank	700 00	
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Amount of fund		\$2,000 00

On hand Jan. 1, 1895	\$118 25	
Interest on bank books	33 02	
Interest on town note	52 00	
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		\$203 27

Paid worthy poor	\$61 72	
Paid inmates of the almshouse	37 00	
In the bank Jan. 1, 1906	96 27	
Cash on hand	8 28	
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		\$203 27

THIRD ANNUAL REPORT
OF THE
TRUSTEES OF THE GEORGE P. CLAPP
CEMETERY FUND.

Amount of fund	\$100 00	
Interest on deposit Jan. 1, 1905	08	
Interest on bank book	4 04	
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		\$104 12
Paid for care of lot	\$4 00	
Interest on deposit Jan. 1, 1906	12	
Amount of fund	100 00	
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		\$104 12

TWENTY-EIGHTH ANNUAL REPORT.

OF THE
TRUSTEES OF THE COFFIN POOR FUND.

Amount of fund		\$2,000 00
Loan on town note at 4 per cent.		
In Savings bank Jan. 1, 1905	\$86 41	
Interest on bank book	3 48	
Interest on note	80 00	
Cash on hand	53 55	
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		\$223 44

Paid for care of cemetery lot	\$5 00	
Paid worthy poor	133 55	
In bank Dec. 31, 1905	84 89	
	<hr/>	\$223 44

TWENTIETH ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

TRUSTEES OF THE A. T. OTIS CEMETERY

AND TOMB FUNDS.

Amount of funds	\$1,500 00	
Interest on deposit Jan. 1, 1905	195 55	
Interest on bank books	68 46	
	<hr/>	\$1,763 98

Care of lots and flowers	\$30 00	
C. C. Merritt building platform	3 00	
Interest on deposit Jan. 1, 1906	230 98	
Amount of funds	1,500 00	
	<hr/>	\$1,763 98

TENTH ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

TRUSTEES OF THE PRUDENCE C. DELANO

CEMETERY FUND.

Amount of fund	\$300 00
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Interest on deposit Jan. 1, 1905	\$73 09	
Interest on bank book	15 06	
	<hr/>	\$388 15
Paid for care of lot	\$5 00	
Interest on deposit Jan. 1, 1906	83 15	
Amount of fund	300 00	
	<hr/>	\$388 15

SECOND ANNUAL REPORT
OF THE
TRUSTEES OF THE MARY O. ROBBINS
CEMETERY FUND.

Amount of fund	\$200 00	
Interest on deposit Jan. 1, 1906	10 00	
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SEVENTEENTH ANNUAL REPORT
OF THE
TRUSTEES OF THE JOSSELYN CEMETERY
FUND.

Amount of fund	\$200 00
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Interest on deposit Jan. 1, 1905	\$43 58	
Interest on bank book	9 82	
	<hr/>	\$253 40
Paid for care of lot	\$8 00	
Interest on deposit Jan. 1, 1906	45 40	
Amount of fund	200 00	
	<hr/>	\$253 40

SIXTH ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

TRUSTEES OF THE BETSY TOLMAN CEMETERY FUND.

Amount of fund	\$100 00	
Interest on bank book	4 04	
	<hr/>	\$104 04
Paid for care of lot	\$4 04	
Amount of fund	100 00	
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FOURTEENTH ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

TRUSTEES OF THE SAMUEL C. CUDWORTH CEMETERY FUND.

Amount of fund	\$200 00
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Interest on deposit Jan. 1, 1905	\$23 36	
Interest on bank book	9 00	
	<hr/>	\$232 36
Paid for care of lot	\$4 00	
Interest on deposit Jan. 1, 1906	28 36	
Amount of fund	200 00	
	<hr/>	\$232 36

EIGHTH ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

TRUSTEES OF THE NANCY HERSEY CEMETERY FUND.

Amount of fund	\$100 00	
Interest on deposit Jan. 1, 1905	14 46	
Interest on bank book	4 60	
	<hr/>	\$119 06
Paid for care of lot	\$3 00	
Interest on deposit Jan. 1, 1906	16 06	
Amount of fund	100 00	
	<hr/>	\$119 06

Transcript of Articles in the Warrant.

FOR THE ANNUAL MEETING, MARCH 5, 1906,
AT NINE O'CLOCK A. M.

Article 1. To choose a Moderator.

Article 2. To choose a Town Clerk.

Article 3. To hear and act on the report of the Town Clerk, Selectmen, Overseers of the Poor, Auditor, Collector and Treasurer.

Article 4. To choose all such town officers as the laws of the state and the by-laws of the town require.

Article 5. To bring in their votes "Yes" or "No" in answer to the question, "Shall licenses be granted for the sale of intoxicating liquors in this town for the ensuing year?"

Article 6. What amount of money will the town raise for the support of poor and incidental expenses?

Article 7. What sum of money will the town raise for the support of schools?

Article 8. What sum of money will the town raise for highway repairs?

Article 9. What compensation will the town make for removing snow and appropriate money for the same?

Article 10. In what manner and time shall the taxes be collected the ensuing year?

Article 11. Will the town accept the list of jurors prepared by the selectmen?

Article 12. Will the town authorize the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to hire money in anticipation of taxes?

Article 13. To hear and act on the report of any committee heretofore chosen.

Article 14. To make allowance to town creditors.

Article 15. What sum of money will the town appropriate for the use of Post 112, G. A. R., on Memorial Day?

Article 16. What sum of money will the town appropriate for the payment of state and military aid?

Article 17. What sum of money will the town appropriate to pay the Superintendent of Schools?

Article 18. What sum of money will the town raise for repairs of schoolhouses and incidentals?

Article 19. Will the town cause a statement of their financial affairs to be printed in February next?

Article 20. Will the town appropriate a sum of money to be expended in the cemetery on Washington street?

Article 21. Will the town cause a new valuation to be taken in 1906?

Article 22. What price will the town pay for labor on the highways for the ensuing year?

Article 23. Will the town accept the deed of the David Griffith property?

Article 24. Will the town accept a trust fund from Mrs. Charles H. Merritt for the care of her lot in the cemetery at Norwell near the Unitarian church?

Article 25. Will the town cause the bushes on Forest street to be mowed?

Article 26. What action will the town take in regard to keeping the sidewalks in repair?

Article 27. Will the town instruct the town clerk to procure designs for a new town seal and report at the next meeting?

Article 28. Will the town raise and appropriate the sum of \$200 to purchase a safe for the town office?

Article 29. Will the town raise and appropriate a sum of money for painting the almshouse.

Article 30. Will the town raise and appropriate the sum of \$210 to pay for completing the new road on River street?

Article 31. Will the town give any instruction to the town officers.

Article 32. Or act or do anything relative to the above.

Citizens desiring additional articles in the warrant will present them to the Selectmen on or before Feb. 17, 1906.

ALPHEUS THOMAS,
EZRA E. STETSON,
ERNERT H. SPARRELL,
Selectmen of Norwell.

ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

SCHOOL COMMITTEE

OF THE

TOWN OF NORWELL

FOR THE YEAR 1905

Report of the School Committee.

TO THE CITIZENS OF NORWELL :

SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

Benjamin Loring, chairman, term expires 1907.

George C. Turner, term expires 1906.

Mary E. Curtis, secretary, term expires 1908.

SUPERVISION.

We could but feel exceedingly sorry to lose the services of so efficient a superintendent as was Mr. C. A. Record, who left us in July to accept a more lucrative position in Abington and Bridgewater.

Yet we cannot help congratulating ourselves on securing the services of Mr. Charles A. Harris of Oxford, Mass., who, although new to the work of a superintendent, has taken it up with great enthusiasm, working unceasingly to benefit the schools by every means in his power.

TEACHERS.

Mr. Edward L. Hill, who had been principal of the High school since Sept 1904, resigned in February of this year and was succeeded by Mr. John E. DeMeyer, who was at that time a member of the senior class at Bates college, from which he has since graduated.

Mr. DeMeyer has proven himself an ideal teacher, winning the respect and esteem of the pupils, and with the able assistance of Miss Marion D. Ames and Miss Maud A. Reed, also of Bates college, is making of our High school an institution in which we should take great pride.

Miss Eva F. McClellan of Lanesville succeeded Miss Packard in the grammar school at District No. 1, and has done the best of work. We are very glad to number her on our list of teachers.

Miss Jeannette A. Dawson of Somerville succeeded, in District No. 6, Mrs. Simonds, who resigned in September to accept the principalship at a much larger salary, of a school in her native town, Pawtucket, R. I. It is very unfortunate for us that we are unable to offer a good teacher a salary large enough to keep her with us, but it is impossible, and thus we often lose the best of teachers.

To Miss Sarah F. Richardson at No. 1 primary, with her 47 little ones, to Miss Marion G. Merritt at No. 5 primary, with her 37 little people, to Miss Maria W. Tolman at No. 7 primary, with her 22 little men and women, and to Miss Martha C. Scully at No. 5 grammar with her 46 young people, let us give much praise for the ever faithful work which they do.

TRANSPORTATION.

The contracts for transportation were awarded as follows:

Mr. John F. Osborne, from District No. 2 to District No. 1 and High school.

Mrs. E. L. Loring, from Districts No. 3 and 4 to District No. 5 and High school.

Mr. James L. Litchfield, from Districts Nos. 4 and 6 to Nos. 5 and 6.

Mr. L. F. Hammond, from District Nos. 7 to No. 5 and High school.

In this matter of transportation, we have honestly tried to accommodate in every way, the children who are obliged to use the barges in getting to school.

And we think we have succeeded, as in scarcely a single case is a child obliged to walk as far as he would had he a school in his own district, and in a large majority of cases, the barge passes the door of his home.

REPAIRS.

At the annual town meeting, it was voted that the Town hall be shingled and that it should be paid for out of the school appropriation. Your committee have had the work done in a thorough manner and with the best of materials.

Proposals for doing the work were sent to the carpenters in town and four bids were received, the lowest bidder being Mr. J. Frank Turner, \$74.97, and he was awarded the contract. The contractor furnished his own staging, while the town furnished the nails, shingles and zinc.

Another improvement made in this building during the year was the installation of a water system for the use of the pupils in the study of physics and chemistry.

This has been of great advantage to the school as heretofore it has been almost impossible to make any experiments owing to a lack of running water, sinks, etc.

A much needed improvement has been made in the primary room at District No. 1 by the building of a book closet. An alcove in the back of the room, which had formerly served really no purpose but for storage of wood, by the addition of a front and shelves, made a fine closet and fills a long felt want in the building.

Beyond the ordinary repairs to the school buildings and yards the coming year, there is the building in No. 1, which needs painting very much ; also the yard in No. 5 should be graveled, as in wet weather it is over shoe in mud, but in all probability these will not require any great outlay of money.

During the summer vacation the committee decided to close the school in District No. 4, carrying one-half the pupils to District No. 6, the others to No. 5. With Mr. Litchfield's barge on one side for the No. 6 pupils and Mrs. Loring's on the other for the No. 5 pupils, this small school was easily transported, and the pupils taken where it has since been proved by the great advance, which the children have made, that the change was a wise one. We wish that parents would take the trouble, shall we say trouble? No! rather the opportunity, to visit the schools. You have no idea how much you are missing in staying away. And the children all like to have "mother" visit school, we say "mother", as presumably "father" has no time for such things.

Just look at the rapid advance that has been made in the subject of writing. Why, when you first went to school, learning to write one's name was a laborious process, only to be accomplished, after first, learning to print, then with much effort we slowly and painfully learned the great art of writing. Now, nearly every little five-year old, after one month's practice, can write his name fifty per cent. better than we could after one year at school.

The same is true of the reading, all normal children learning in ten weeks 83 words, which can readily be recognized anywhere at sight. And this is not all; the children are taught to observe the things round about them in nature, they can tell you about the seasons, the winds, the birds, the flowers, the vegetables. They are taught lessons in politeness, kindness to each other and to dumb animals, why we celebrate the holidays, as Thanksgiving, Christmas, Washington's birthday, etc.; facts in the lives of noted men and women, the best pieces of poetry, and many more things, which you have only to visit for yourselves to find out. We wish you could have heard, as we did, a class of twelve little folks, who had been to school but fourteen months in all, add, subtract, multiply and divide, with what we call really hard

numbers for little scholars, such as, $6+7=$, $9+4=$, $13-6=$, $12\div3=$, $\frac{1}{2}$ of $12=$ and many others, and each one so eager to answer and so proud to show us what they could do, that we could not help feeling glad that it was in our power to give these children, our future men and women, such opportunities as they now enjoy.

We do not like, every year, to harp on the same old subject, ATTENDANCE, but how can we help it, when we look at the registers and see the per cent. of attendance. For instance, one school numbering 35, had an average attendance of 28, just the same as though there were seven pupils, who did not go to school at all that term, whose children were they, was one of them yours? And this is not a rare case; there are many such through the town, a day here and two days there, soon make up a week. All the time the child is losing interest in school work, he dreads to go back for there will be lessons to be made up. The first day will be almost as good as lost, as he doesn't know what has gone before. So it goes on, parents not realizing what the child is losing until he doesn't get promoted at the end of the year and then teacher, committee and superintendent are blamed in turn.

As one parent said to us, (when his child failed of promotion) "Why, my child wasn't absent hardly any." "Yes," we answered, "he was out five weeks." "Why, that can't be possible," but it WAS just exactly that as shown by the register.

Another was much astonished to find that taking it through the year, his child had been out twelve weeks; one whole term in all. We do not expect sick children to attend school but if you, as parents, would send the well ones every session of school there would be fewer absences on the registers and more promotions at the end of the year.

May we ask you once more, to reserve your criticisms of the teachers and school systems until your children are out of hearing. You may not like some action on the part of the teacher while some one else thinks it perfectly right. You

have one or two children to bring up, to train properly, while a teacher has thirty or more and not one of them like yours, can you judge for her? You were not in her place, if you were, it is exceedingly doubtful if you would have done as well. She has charge of these same children only five and one-half hours a day and yet you expect her to work miracles with them ; if they are impolite, you affirm that "they are not taught politeness" ; if they are untruthful, it is "what they learn at school" ; if they use profane language, they hear it on the school grounds." Parents, as they are under your charge three times as long during the day, is it not possible for you to correct some of these habits? Be sure the teacher will be grateful to you for it is an old saying that "Children who behave at home, will behave in school." You will say, perhaps, to the teacher, I want my child to mind you, if he doesn't do right, I want you to punish him." That is all right, well and good, but when that same teacher does punish, stand by her, uphold the course she has pursued, tell the child, "you deserved it or you would not have been punished," let him see that you are in sympathy with the teacher and he won't trouble that teacher again.

We are all striving for the same end, that is, to give the best that is in our school system to our children. To make our boys more manly men, to make our girls more womanly women, at home and in school, let us so teach them, that, in later years, they may be able to take the places now occupied by the noblest and best of the sons and daughters of Massachusetts.

Respectfully submitted,

BENJAMIN LORING,
 GEORGE C. TURNER,
 MARY E. CURTIS,
 School Committee of Norwell.

Expenditures.

EXPENDITURES CHARGEABLE TO THE APPROPRIATION:

For the winter term of ten weeks, 1905, but chargeable to the appropriation of 1904.

Teachers' Salaries.

Edward L. Hill	\$120 00
John E. DeMeyer	120 00
Mattie S. Wilder	115 50
M. Abbie Packard	80 00
Sarah F. Richardson	90 00
Lena B. McCaffrey	90 00
Martha C. Scully	100 00
Marion G. Merritt	90 00
Mrs. Katharine Simonds	90 00
Maria W. Tolman	90 00
A. Gertrude Jones	35 00

\$1020 50

Supervision.

C. A. Record	\$170 10
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Transportation.

Mrs. E. L. Loring	\$132 00
William T. Lapham	170 50
James L. Litchfield	110 00
Edward A. Jacobs	25 00
Tilon Williams	22 00
L. F. Hammond	132 00
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	\$591 50

Care of Rooms.

Fred J. Croning, High school	\$25 00
Ralph L. Phipps, District No. 1	10 00
William E. Leslie } District No. 4	4 00
Gertrude W. Leslie }	
Edwin W. French, District No. 5	10 00
Irving Henderson, District No. 6	4 00
William C. Tolman, Jr., District No. 7	6 75
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	\$59 75

EXPENDITURES CHARGEABLE TO THE
APPROPRIATION.

For Spring and Fall Terms, 1905.

Teachers' Salaries.

John E. DeMeyer, principal High school	\$600 00
Mattie S. Wilder, assistant High school	136 50
Marion D. Ames, assistant High school	180 00

Maud A. Reed, assistant High school	\$160 00
A. Gertrude Jones, drawing teacher	90 00
Eva F. McClellan, District No. 1 gram- mer	240 00
Sarah F. Richardson, District No. 1 primary	252 00
Lena B. McCaffrey, District No. 4 mixed	108 00
Martha C. Scully, District No. 5 gram- mer	280 00
Marion G. Merritt, District No. 5 prim- ary	252 00
Mrs. Katharine Simonds, District No. 6 mixed	126 00
Jeannette A. Dawson, District No. 6 mixed	126 00
Maria W. Tolman, District No. 7 primary	252 00
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	\$2802 50

Care of Rooms.

Fred J. Croning, High school	\$130 00	
Ralph L. Phipps, Dist. No. 1	20 25	
William E. Leslie }	Dist. No. 4	4 00
Gertrude W. Leslie }		
Edwin W. French, Dist. No. 5	28 00	
James Dolan, Dist. No. 6	4 00	
Seth O. Fitts, Dist. No. 6	16 00	
William C. Tolman, Jr., Dist. No. 7	15 50	
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		\$217 75

Fuel and Fitting.

C. O. Keene, wood	\$13 75
F. E. Henderson, wood (as per contract)	21 00

C. O. Keene, wood (as per contract)	\$103 25	
W. D. Turner, wood	8 50	
Walter Simmons, coal	52 00	
John Whalen, wood	2 00	
Walter C. Barnard, sawing wood	23 25	
Willie W. Loring, labor on wood	10 00	
Harold B. Sexton, labor on wood	4 00	
Walter H. Briggs, labor on wood	3 00	
Fred J. Croning, labor on wood	8 00	
John Whalen, labor on wood	4 00	
	<hr/>	\$252 75

Superintendent.

Received from State	\$250 00	
Town appropriation	250 00	
	<hr/>	\$500 00
Paid C. A. Record	170 10	
Paid C. A. Harris	500 00	
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		\$129 90

Transportation.

Mrs. E. L. Loring	\$483 00	
Tilon Williams	10 00	
William T. Lapham	77 50	
L. F. Hammond	348 00	
George S. Hatch	5 00	
James L. Litchfield	322 00	
John F. Osborne	384 00	
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Books and Supplies.

C. H. Lovell	\$17 50	
Wadsworth, Howland & Co.	10 18	
D. W. Fisher & Co.	4 00	
A. Storrs & Bement Co.	1 60	
Wright & Potter Printing Co.	1 07	
Western Pub. House	3 60	
Rand, McNally & Co.	10 09	
Ginn & Co.	22 04	
E. E. Babb & Co.	248 22	
Miss L. A. Hicks	7 20	
The Scarborough Co.	6 25	
Allen, Totman & Co.	10 40	
J. L. Hammett Co.	28 07	
American Book Co.	11 52	
D. C. Heath & Co.	12 00	
Silver, Burdett & Co.	15 00	
Journal of Geography	4 50	
Samuel Ward Co.	20 30	
Educational Pub. Co.	4 00	
Oliver Ditson Co.	4 75	
Arthur W. Hall Scientific Co.	4 09	
The Red Cross Co.	4 00	
Boston Music Co.	78	
Harold B. Farrar	15 00	
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Cleaning Schoolhouses.

Mrs. Mary A. Osborne, Dist. No. 5	10 00	
Mrs. Eva L. Wimslow, Dist. No. 7	6 00	
Seth O. Fitts, Dist. No. 6	6 50	
Mrs. E. C. Jones, Dist. No. 1	12 00	
Fred J. Croning, High school	7 50	
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Supplies and Incidentals.

Carrie M. Ford, printing	\$39 39
Harold B. Sexton, cleaning yard No. 5	1 00
D. R. Ewell, use of team	1 00
J. Frank Turner, shingling Town hall	74 97
J. Frank Turner, labor at Town hall and Nos. 4 and 5	13 14
Phillips, Bates & Co., shingles, nails etc.	160 12
Henry J. Tolman, materials and labor at No. 7	8 82
F. E. Henderson, cleaning vault No. 7	2 00
Patrick McNicol, cleaning vaults	5 00
C. L. Rice & Sons, curtains	3 60
William H. Spencer, labor on stoves and materials furnished	20 55
D. W. Ross, mending chairs at Town hall	1 50
J. B. Whitman, tuning piano, (twice)	5 00
Curtis & Bates, supplies to schools	11 49
Norwell Post Office, postage	4 70
A. J. Litchfield & Son, supplies to schools	8 79
Arthur J. Turner, shingling at No. 5	2 50
Cassius C. Merritt, labor at No. 4	1 40
C. A. Record, expenses	8 00
L. F. Hammond, freight and carting	2 10
New York & Boston Express, expressing	16 81
C. P. Sinnott, expenses at Teachers' Institute	11 00
Henry L. Studley, labor	3 75
H. S. Turner & Co., ribbon for diplomas	78
John E. DeMeyer, expenses to Lewiston	15 00
Levi N. Osborn, labor at No. 1	2 50
Hall & Torrey, material and labor at High school	95 62
George A. Turner, materials and labor at No. 1 and High school	56 25

E. W. French, cleaning clock	1 00
J. H. Lehan, painting and glazing	13 65
John Whalen, labor at No. 1 (1904)	1 50
W. A. G. Smith, repairing clock	1 50
C. A. Harris, expenses	4 19

\$588 60

High School Fund.

Unexpended balance from last year	\$198 30
Received from State	300 00

\$498 30

Mary F. Simmons, teaching	\$144 00
E. E. Babb & Co., supplies	82 33
Ginn & Co., supplies	93 31
Arthur W. Hall Scientific Co. supplies	166 95
Miss A. E. Allen, supplies	5 00
D. C. Heath & Co., supplies	1 67

\$493 26

\$5 04

Available Funds For Present Year.

Town appropriation	\$5,250 00
Dog tax	336 25
State Board of Charity	136 00
Received from State on account of teachers' salaries	217 16

State school fund	\$1,303 89	
Town of Rockland (tuition)	83 00	
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		\$7,326 30
Amount expended		5,999 25
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		\$1,327 05
Expenses to April (estimated)		1,910 00
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Deficit		\$582 95

AUDITOR'S REPORT.

NORWELL, JAN. 27, 1906.

I have examined the accounts of the School Committee and find vouchers for amount paid.

GEO. CUSHING,
Auditor.

ABSTRACT FROM REGISTERS.

SCHOOLS.	WINTER TERM—1905.						SPRING TERM—1905.						FALL TERM—1905.					
	Number Enrolled.	Average Membership.	Average Attendance.	Per cent. of Attendance.	Number of Tardy Marks.	Number of Visitors.	Number Enrolled.	Average Membership.	Average Attendance.	Per cent. of Attendance.	Number of Tardy Marks.	Number of Visitors.	Number Enrolled.	Average Membership.	Average Attendance.	Per cent. of Attendance.	Number of Tardy Marks.	Number of Visitors.
No. 1 Primary	32	27.95	25.02	.88+	31	19	35	33.81	31.96	.94+	13	51	47	44.62	42.88	.96+	27	24
No. 1 Grammar	19	18.	16.9	.94	3	4	20	19.31	18.9	.97+	5	51	25	21.59	20.44	.94+	12	26
No. 4 Mixed	15	12.2	10.98	.90	22	14	12	11.5	10.16	.88	20	8						
No. 5 Primary	25	23.5	19.06	.81	5	8	28	24.25	22.19	.91	31	17	37	34.81	32.51	.93	33	34
No. 5 Grammar	41	39.6	32.31	.81	12	3	41	37.95	34.47	.90+	17	5	46	45.21	41.15	.91	14	19
No. 6 Mixed	29	25.46	24.56	.96	18	9	33	31.66	29.	.91+	29	4	35	32.87	27.52	.83+	4	14
No. 7 Primary	22	21.6	17.15	.79+	3	9	26	23.13	21.5	.92+	8	11	22	21.47	19.79	.92	4	17
High	46	45.66	43.	.94	4	6	45	42.66	40.66	.95	9	12	47	46.38	42.54	.91+	14	17

Report of the Superintendent.

To the School Committee of Norwell :—

I herewith submit for your consideration my first annual report.

VISITS.

From the opening of school in September to January 1, 1906, seventy three visits to the schools were made by your superintendent. These visits have varied in duration from calls of a few minutes to those of several hours. All, however, have been intended to promote the efficiency of the schools. According to my time schedule for visiting schools, I should be able to visit each school in the district every ten and one-half days, but unforeseen difficulties arise, and make the adaptation of a fixed schedule well-nigh impracticable.

My work thus far has been along the following lines :—

- 1—Observing and correcting methods of instruction employed by teachers.
- 2—Personally examining classes.
- 3—Adjusting school program.
- 4—Noticing hygienic conditions.
- 5—Observing equipment such as globes, maps, blackboards, text-books, etc., with the view of recommending changes or improvements.
- 6—Delivering supplies.
- 7—Conducting teachers' meetings.

- 8—Observing systems of lighting, heating, ventilation, conditions of building, kind of seats, etc.
- 9—Teaching during absence of teacher.

ATTENDANCE.

In order to secure the best results in school, attendance during the entire time is imperative. Absences affect not only the absentee, but the whole school. The part of the class that is industrious and perfect in attendance is compelled to go at a slower pace than is commensurate with its ability in order to permit the absentees, the tardy, and the dismissed, to "catch up."

Absences occur from various causes, e. g., sickness, stormy weather, visiting, working at home or elsewhere, improper clothing, truancy, and other causes too trivial to mention. Only one cause is a really satisfactory excuse, viz., sickness.

The law reads that a child shall attend school the "entire time." This does not mean part of the time however large. Of course occasional cases of tardiness and dismissals are inevitable, but they should not reach the chronic stage.

It is not generally known that if a pupil "whose physical condition is not such as to render his attendance at school harmful or impracticable," fails to attend school "for five day sessions or ten half-day sessions within any period of six months," the parent or guardian is liable to a fine of \$20. Severe in some cases perhaps, but the policy of the state is attendance during the "entire time."

During the first month of this school year (19 days,) there were in the town of Norwell alone, 478 half-day absences.

If the parents would realize what a boom it would be to our school system, if the absences were reduced to the minimum, and would co-operate with us in effecting the same, better results would, of necessity, follow.

Again, it is not generally known that a note from the parent asking to have a pupil excused for tardiness or

dismissed, does not suffice. A written excuse or request for dismissal should contain the reason why such request is made. In other words, the school authorities have a right to know just what a pupil is doing during school hours.

TEXT BOOKS AND MAPS.

The text books in the town, for the most part, are excellent. Still several hundred dollars could be spent at once without the slightest chance of charging your committee with extravagance. Some new books should be introduced; others that have done good service and that are now coverless, torn and unclean, should be discarded. Publishers are glad to allow something for this dilapidated material, so these books are not a total loss.

Classical maps, which are emphatically indispensable to the comprehensive study of latin and ancient history, should be purchased for use in the High school. I have observed several books in use here that are very much out of date.

Nothing could do more for your High school pupils than to furnish them with the above mentioned supplies, thus making the training received by Norwell pupils at the hands of an efficient corps of teachers, doubly desirable.

Dr. Frank A. Hill, secretary of the board of education from 1894—1903, said: "Making children use worn and unclean books is as bad as making them wear soiled and ragged clothes. It saves a few dollars, no doubt, to squeeze another year's use out of overworked text books; but what about the pupils loss of interest in such books? What about his offended aesthetic sense? What about the germs of disease, even, that extreme carelessness here begets? There are losses here, realized and threatened, beside which the money saving, looks paltry and mean."

All the new books should be covered to insure greater cleanliness, healthfulness and longer wear. This can be done for about one-third of a cent per book.

COURSE OF STUDY.

Although a definite course of study has been pursued heretofore, there is none now used in printed form. This seriously handicaps a teacher, especially one with little or no experience. A course in history for all grades below the High school has been distributed to the teachers; also a partial course in geography. Other outlines are to follow.

EDUCATIONAL PERIODICALS.

I suggest that a small sum of money be used for subscriptions to leading educational periodicals for the benefit of the teachers; these to be circulated according to some fixed plan, and then bound and placed on file. This would help to broaden the views of all, and ought to increase professional spirit and teaching. The requisite amount of money could be taken from the Massachusetts School Fund and not from the town appropriation.

In conclusion I wish to thank the teachers and committee for their loyalty and support.

Respectfully submitted,

CHARLES A. HARRIS.

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Report of the Town Clerk.

At the annual meeting of the qualified voters of the town of Norwell, held March 5, 1906, the following action was taken on the articles contained in the warrant :

Article 1. To choose a Moderator.

Chose Alpheus Thomas, moderator.

Article 2. To choose a Town Clerk.

Chose Joseph F. Merritt, town clerk.

Article 3. To hear and act on the report of the Town Clerk, Selectmen, Overseers of the Poor, Auditor, Collector and Treasurer.

Voted, that the report of these officers be accepted.

Article 4. To choose all such town officers as the laws of the state and the by-laws of the town require.

The following officers were chosen by ballot .

Selectmen, Assessors and Overseers of the Poor : Alpheus Thomas, Ezra E. Stetson, Ernest H. Sparrell.

Treasurer, Horace T. Fogg.

Auditor, George Cushing.

Tree Warden, John H. Sparrell.

Tax Collector, Andrew J. Litchfield.

School Committee for three years, George C. Turner.

Board of Health for three years, Alpheus Thomas.

Constables : J. Warren Foster, Walter T. Osborn, William E. Wilder, Walter C. Barnard, Arthur F. Henderson.

Highway Surveyors : Emanuel P. Joseph, Francis E. Henderson, Walter Simmons.

The Constables were chosen Field Drivers.

The Highway Surveyors were chosen Fence Viewers.

Cemetery Committee: George W. Curtis, Joseph H. Curtis, Alpheus Thomas.

Article 5. To bring in their votes "Yes" or "No" in answer to the question, "Shall licenses be granted for the sale of intoxicating liquors in this town for the ensuing year."

The polls were kept open one hour, the whole number of ballots cast 80. "Yes" 17, "No" 63.

Article 6. What amount of money will the town raise for the support of poor and incidental expenses?

Voted, to raise and appropriate \$2000 for the support of poor.

Voted, to raise and appropriate \$500 for incidentals.

Article 7. What sum of money will the town raise for the support of schools?

Voted, to raise and appropriate \$6,000 for the support of schools.

Article 8. What sum of money will the town raise for highway repairs?

Voted, to raise and appropriate \$2,500 for highway repairs.

Article 9. What compensation will the town make for removing snow and appropriate money for the same?

Voted, to pay 25 cents per hour for removing snow and to appropriate \$500 and the money received from the street railway excise tax.

Article 10. In what manner and time shall the taxes be collected the ensuing year?

Voted, that a discount of 2 per cent. be allowed on taxes paid on or before October 1st; that on all taxes not paid December 1st, interest be charged at the rate of 6 per cent.; after April 1st, 1907, the collector shall issue summons and proceed to collect all unpaid taxes, and that the money shall be paid to the treasurer or a deposit made by the collector for all unpaid taxes on or before July, 1, 1907.

Voted, that the collector have the same powers in the collection of taxes that he would have if he were also town treasurer.

Voted, that the salary of collector be \$225.

Article 11. Will the town accept the list of jurors prepared by the selectmen?

J. H. Lehan, Charles N. Gardner and Henry J. Tolman, a committee appointed by the moderator, revised the jury list and it was voted to accept the list of jurors as revised.

LIST OF JURORS

James L. Litchfield	John E. Leslie
L. Frank Hammond	Harrison Wilder
Jared A. Gardner	Seth Foster
Arthur C. Jones	Clifton S. Deane
Arthur T. Stoddard	Andrew S. Richardson
Lebbeus Leach	Robert C. Henderson
George H. Tisdale	James E. Stoddard
Joseph H. Corthell	H. Wilbur Swan
George H. Bates	Alpheus Thomas
Joseph Briggs	Henry A. Turner
Benjamin P. Nichols	Minot Williamson
Herbert E. Robbins	Joshua R. Barker
Seth O. Fitts	Arthur Henderson

Article 12. Will the town authorize the Treasurer with the approval of the selectmen, to hire money in anticipation of taxes?

It was voted by a majority of the legal voters present and voting, that the treasurer be and hereby is authorized, with the approval of the selectmen, to borrow during the present municipal year, in anticipation of the collection of taxes such sums of money as may be necessary for the current expenses of the town, but not exceeding the total tax levy for said year, giving the notes of the town therefor payable within

eighteen months from the date thereof. All debts incurred under the authority of this vote shall be paid from the taxes of the present municipal year.

Article 13. To hear and act on the report of any committee heretofore chosen.

The committee chosen in regard to giving a deed of the "Old Burying Ground" at Church Hill to the Church Hill Cemetery Corporation, reported, and it was voted to accept their report.

Voted, that the treasurer be authorized, in the name of the town, to give a quit-claim deed of that portion of said land within the bounds which shall be located by the selectmen to said "Church Hill Cemetery Corporation," and that the deed be executed not later than April, 1906.

Voted, that the town retain that portion of land outside the line of trees at the junction of River and Church streets and on Common avenue as a common.

Voted, that the town clerk keep a record of the deed.

Article 14. To make allowance to town creditors.

No bills were presented at this time.

Article 15. What sum of money will the town appropriate for the use of Post 112, G. A. R., on Memorial Day?

Voted, to raise and appropriate \$100 for Memorial Day.

Article 16. What sum of money will the town appropriate for the payment of State and Military aid?

Voted, to appropriate \$2500.

Article 17. What sum of money will the town appropriate to pay the Superintendent of Schools?

Voted, to appropriate \$250.

Article 18. What sum of money will the town raise for the repairs of school houses and incidentals?

No action taken, as the general school appropriation covers all expenses.

Article 19. Will the town cause a statement of their financial affairs to be printed in February next?

Voted, to have statement printed.

Article 20. Will the town appropriate a sum of money to be expended in the cemetery on Washington street ?

Voted, to raise and appropriate \$50 for use in said cemetery.

Article 21 Will the town cause a new valuation to be taken in 1906 ?

Voted, to pass over this article.

Article 22. What price will the town pay for labor on the highways for the ensuing year ?

Voted, to pay 20 cents per hour for labor, and to pay highway surveyors \$2.50 per day.

Article 23. Will the town accept the deed of the David Griffith property ?

Voted, to accept a deed of said property.

Article 24. Will the town accept a trust fund from Mrs. Charles H. Merritt for the care of her lot in the cemetery at Norwell near the Unitarian church ?

Voted, to accept the above named trust and that a record be made with other trust fund records.

Article 25. Will the town cause the bushes on Forest street to be mowed ?

Voted, to refer the matter to the surveyor in the south ward.

Article 26. What action will the town take in regard to keeping the sidewalks in repair ?

Voted, that the highway surveyors be instructed to put and keep such sidewalks as are used in repair.

Article 27. Will the town instruct the town clerk to procure designs for a new town seal and report at the next meeting ?

Voted, that he do so and that the words Scituate and South Scituate appear on the designs.

Article 28. Will the town appropriate and raise the sum of \$200 to purchase a safe for the town office ?

Voted, that \$200 be raised and appropriated for purchase of safe.

Article 29. Will the town raise and appropriate a sum of money for painting the almshouse?

Voted, to raise and appropriate \$250 for painting the almshouse.

Voted, that the selectmen put the job out at contract and get the best bids possible.

Article 30. Will the town raise and appropriate the sum of \$210 to pay for completing the new road on River street?

Voted, to raise and appropriate \$210 to pay for completing the above named road.

Article 31. Will the town pay a bounty on wood chucks?

Voted, to pass over.

Article 32. Will the town buy a stone crusher and raise and appropriate a sum of money for the same?

Voted, to raise and appropriate \$1000 and appropriate \$1000 to purchase a stone crusher. The whole matter to be left with the selectmen.

Article 33. To see what action the town will take in regard to fire apparatus and raise and appropriate a sum of money for the same?

Voted, to refer to the selectmen with instructions to give figures and recommendations at the next meeting.

Article 34. Will the town raise and appropriate the sum of \$1000 to pay the town note due Feb. 5, 1905?

Voted, to raise and appropriate \$1000 for this purpose.

Article 35. Will the town sell or lease any of the vacant school houses?

Voted, to instruct the selectmen to sell the school house at District No. 3, and also the land, if town owns it, at public auction or private sale.

Article 36. To see what action the town will take in regard to a new lockup and raise and appropriate a sum of money for the same.

Voted, to raise and appropriate \$200 for the purchase of steel cage lockups.

Article 37. Will the town adopt the Australian system of voting as provided by Chapt. 11, of the revised laws?

Voted, to adopt the above named system of voting as provided by Chapt. 11 of the revised laws, by a vote of 61 to 54. A motion to reconsider was declared to be out of order by the moderator, as put by Mr. Torrey. It was voted that the number of highway surveyors to be elected at the annual meeting in 1907, be fixed at three and that the terms and number of all other officers be the same as for the year 1906.

Article 38. Will the town raise and appropriate a sum of money for the suppression of crime?

Voted, to pass over this article.

Article 39. Will the town instruct its officers to enforce the laws in regard to automobiles?

Voted, not to do so.

Article 40. Will the town appropriate a sum of money for the continuance of the River street road, provided an appropriation can be secured from the Massachusetts Highway Commission?

Voted, to pass over this article.

Article 41. Will the town raise and appropriate the sum of \$334.91 for the suppression of the gypsy and browntail moths?

Voted, to appropriate and raise \$334.91 for this purpose.

Article 42. Will the town instruct the Selectmen to petition the County Commissioners to lay out "Mill Lane" so called, as a public road?

Voted, to pass over this article.

Article 43. Will the town raise and appropriate the sum of \$100 to be expended in caring for the sidewalks and grounds around the Soldier's monument, the care of Gaffield Park and the several triangles and grass plots in different parts of the town?

Voted, to raise and appropriate \$100 for this purpose, to be placed in the hands of the selectmen.

Article 44. Will the town give any instructions to the town officers?

Voted, that the town clerk write to Mrs. Norwell, and thank her in behalf of the town for the fine portrait of Mr. Henry Norwell.

Article 45. Or act or do anything relative to the above.

Voted, to appropriate \$50 for use of tree warden, one half to be used in setting out trees.

Voted, that the secretary of school committee receive \$50; the other members of the committee not over \$25 each, for their services the ensuing year.

Voted, that all taxes be assessed on the polls and estates of residents and on the estates of non residents.

Voted, that the thanks of the town be extended to the moderator for his services the past twenty-five years, and that he be paid ten dollars.

Voted, that the meeting be dissolved.

Attest :

JOSEPH F. MERRITT,
Town Clerk.

TOWN MEETING.

At the special meeting held October 3, 1906, the following action was taken on the articles in the warrant :

Article 1. To choose a Moderator.

Chose Alpheus Thomas, moderator.

Article 2. Will the Town authorize the Selectmen to sell the Griffith property.

Voted, that the selectmen be authorized to sell the Griffith property if they have what they consider a suitable offer.

Voted, that if they do sell this property, that the treasurer be instructed to give the deed of the same in the name of the town.

Article 3. Will the Town authorize the Selectmen to give a quit-claim deed of all its interest in the land now used as a cemetery in connection with the First Parish Church of Norwell.

Voted, that the town give a quit-claim deed of any interest it has in the First Parish Cemetery, so called, to the First Parish of Norwell and that the treasurer be authorized to execute the deed in the name of the town.

Article 4. Or act or do anything relative to the above.

No action taken.

Voted, that this meeting be dissolved.

JOSEPH F. MERRITT
Town Clerk.

STATE ELECTION.

Pursuant to a warrant, duly executed, the qualified voters of the Town of Norwell met at the Town Hall, Tuesday, Nov. 6, 1906. Chairman Alpheus Thomas of the Board of Selectmen presided. Ezra E. Stetson, John Whalen, Charles Scully and L. Frank Hammond being appointed election officers and ballot clerks were duly sworn as such by the town clerk. The polls were opened at 6 a. m. and closed at 12.05 p. m. One hundred and fifty-four names were checked as having voted and one hundred and fifty-four ballots were cast. On being canvassed and counted in open meeting they were found to be for the following persons :

GOVERNOR.

Gamaliel Bradford, State Government Reform	o
James F. Carey, Socialist	o
William H. Carroll, Socialist Labor	o

Curtis Guild, Jr., Republican	111
John B. Moran, Prohibition	9
John B. Moran, Independence League	4
John B. Moran, Democratic	24
John B. Moran	1
Blanks	5

LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR.

E. Gerry Brown, Independence League, Democratic	44
Hervey S. Cowell, Prohibition	2
Eben S. Draper, Republican	100
Walter J. Hoar, Socialist Labor	0
John F. Mullen, Socialist	0
Blanks	8

SECRETARY.

Joao Claudino, Socialist Labor	0
Jonathan S. Lewis, Prohibition	3
Ambrose Miles, Socialist	0
William M. Olin, Republican	110
Charles C. Paine, Independence League, Democratic	30
Blanks	11

TREASURER.

Arthur B. Chapin, Republican	110
George B. Cushman, Socialist	0
S. Frederick French, Prohibition	4
George M. Harrigan, Independence League, Democratic	29
David F. Richardson, Socialist Labor	0
Blanks	11

AUDITOR.

Albert Barnes, Socialist Labor	0
Thomas L. Hisgen, Independence League, Democratic	30
Fred L. Johnson, Socialist	0
James F. Pease, Prohibition	3
Henry E. Turner, Republican	109
Blanks	12

ATTORNEY-GENERAL.

Allen Coffin, Prohibition	3
Dana Malone, Republican	102
Arthur E. Reimer, Socialist Labor	0
John Weaver Sherman, Socialist	0
John A. Thayer, Democratic	34
Blanks	15

REPRESENTATIVE IN CONGRESS
(FOURTEENTH DISTRICT)

Thomas F. Loorem, Democratic	34
William C. Lovering, Republican	103
Daniel A. White, Socialist	4
Blanks	13

COUNCILLOR—(FIRST DISTRICT).

Charles E. Lowell, Socialist	0
Thomas J. Meaney, Democratic	29
David Gurney Pratt, Republican	107
Blanks	18

SENATOR—(FIRST PLYMOUTH DISTRICT).

Edward G. Knight, Prohibition	4
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Benjamin F. Peterson, Democratic	31
Flavel S. Thomas, Socialist	1
Frank G. Wheatley, Republican	105
Blanks	13

REPRESENTATIVE IN GENERAL COURT.
(SECOND PLYMOUTH DISTRICT)

Nathaniel Morton, Democratic	40
Joseph John Shepherd, Republican	101
Blanks	13

COUNTY COMMISSIONER—(PLYMOUTH).

George J. Alcott, Socialist	1
Nathaniel Morton, Democratic	38
Lyman P. Thomas, Republican	102
Blanks	13

CLERK OF COURTS—(PLYMOUTH COUNTY).

Owen F. Davis, Democratic	27
Edward E. Hobart, Republican	111
Blanks	16

REGISTER OF DEEDS—(PLYMOUTH COUNTY).

Herbert N. Alden, Socialist	6
JOHN B. Washburn, Republican	121
Blanks	27

COUNTY TREASURER—(PLYMOUTH COUNTY).

Albert Davis, Republican	110
Lorenzo Wood, Democratic	29

Elmer A. Wright, Socialist	0
Blanks	15

DISTRICT ATTORNEY—(SOUTHEASTERN DISTRICT).
(TO FILL VACANCY)

Thomas E. Grover, Democratic, Republican	128
John McCarty, Socialist	3
Blanks	23

Meeting dissolved

JOSEPH F. MERRITT
Town Clerk.

TOWN CLERKS' CONVENTION.

At a meeting of the Town Clerks of the several towns comprising the Second Plymouth, Representative District, held at Marshfield Nov. 16, 1906, the vote for Representative throughout the district was found to be as follows :

	Total	Morton	Shepherd	Blanks.
Duxbury	220	33	160	27
Marshfield	185	34	136	15
Pembroke	148	42	95	11
Scituate	321	98	181	42
Norwell	154	40	101	13
Whole number of ballots			1028	
Nathaniel Morton, Democratic		247		
Joseph John Shepherd, Republican		673		
Blanks		108		

Joseph John Shepherd having a plurality of the votes cast was declared elected and his certificate made out in accordance therewith.

George H. Stearns,	Town Clerk of Duxbury
George H. Wetherbee,	Town Clerk of Marshfield
Leonard G. Ewell,	Town Clerk of Pembroke
Jetson Wade,	Town Clerk of Scituate
Joseph F. Merritt,	Town Clerk of Norwell

ENROLLED MILITIA.

Number of men enrolled for military duty May 1, 1906,
230.

REGISTERED VOTERS.

At the close of registration Oct. 27, 1906 there were 358 male and 3 female voters on the list.

DOGS LICENSED.

Dog licenses issued during the year ending Dec. 1, 1906.

150 male dogs at \$2	\$300 00	
24 female dogs at \$5	120 00	
1 special breeder's at \$25	25 00	
	<hr/>	\$445 00
Less clerk's fees 175 licenses at 20c		35 00
		<hr/>
Amount turned over to county treasurer		\$410 00

MARRIAGES RECORDED IN NORWELL DURING
YEAR 1906.

- Feb. 22 At Hanover, Herbert F. Gardner of Norwell and Bernice Atwood Tower of Rockland, by Rev. Melvin S. Nash.
- April 1 At Cambridge, Edgar Clifford Bates and Bernice Mae Ainslee, both of Norwell, by Rev. J. L. Campbell.
- April 12 At Scituate, Walter J. Wagner and Fannie P. Delano, both of Norwell, by Rev. Albert D. Spaulding.
- April 24 At Providence, R. I., Edward Francis Winslow and Annie Louisa Pierce, both of Norwell, by Rev. J. V. Osterbout.
- April 25 At Hanover, John Bailey of Bradford and Margaret Ann Gilson of Norwell, by Rev. Joseph Dinzey.
- May 1 At Hanover, Everett Linwood Torrey of Rockland and Ethel French Stoddard of Norwell, by Rev. Melvin S. Nash.
- May 1 At Providence, R. I., Howard Wilbur Swan of Norwell and Mary Louise Cleverly of Weymouth, by Rev. Henry I. Cushman.
- June 2 At Norwell, Frederick S. Smith and Harriet A. Bent, both of Weymouth, by Rev. Thomas H. Goodwin.
- June 6 At Hanover, Jasper Nelson Lovell of Rockland, and Lizzie Louisa Gardner of Norwell, by Rev. Melvin S. Nash.
- June 8 At North Abington, John P. Melcher of Woburn and Alice May Snowdale of Norwell by Rev. Samuel B. Nobbs.
- June 20 At Rockland, Timothy Martin Sheehan and Florence Gertrude Williams, both of Norwell, by Rev. Chas. A. O'Conner.
- July 3 At Hanover, Clarence I. Vining of Norwell and Grace Lillian Plummer of Abington by Rev. E. E. Ventres.

- July 12 At Cohasset, Henry McHugh and Plooma G. Curtis, both of Norwell, by Rev. Patrick H. Riley.
- Aug. 1 At Hanover, James Alfred Appleford of Norwell and Ethel Frances Thayer of Hanover, by Rev. Melvin S. Nash.
- Aug. 15 At Scituate, Henry Lewis Stoddard of Cohasset and Mary Williamson of Norwell, by Rev. Albert D. Spaulding.
- Aug. 25 At Marshfield, Edwin Harold Osborne of Norwell and Effa May Cain of Hull, by Rev. James Nobbs.
- Sept. 29 At Scituate, George Howard Burbank of Scituate and Sarah Frances Richardson of Norwell, by Rev. Albert D. Spaulding.
- Oct. 1 At Rockland, George William Bosworth of Rockland and Clara Foster Silva of Norwell, by Rev. E. C. Wheeler.
- Oct. 3 At Hingham, John L. Tiernon, Jr., of Buffalo, N. Y., and Lila Florence Beale of Norwell, by Rev. Charles E. Park.
- Oct. 9 At Boston, Joseph Briggs of Norwell and Maud Whiting of Rockland by Rev. James Alexander.
- Oct. 31 At Norwell, Benjamin W. Prouty of Norwell and Lucretia M. Early of Palmyra, Pa., by Rev. E. E. Ventres.
- Nov. 10 At Hanover, Ernest Linwood Lapham of Hanover and Nettie Howard of Norwell, by Rev. Melvin S. Nash.

BIRTHS REGISTERED IN NORWELL DURING THE YEAR 1906.

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DATE OF BIRTH	NAME OF CHILD	NAME OF PARENTS	MAIDEN NAME OF MOTHER
1906			
January 6	Margaret Harding Osborne.....	John F. and Emily Drew.....	Delano
February 7	Illegitimate.....	Archie E. and Clara Louise.....	Cockran
March 15	Eleanor Florence Fish.....	Ernest L. and Jennie Frances.....	Chapman
March 21	Beatrice Edna Henderson.....	William Frank, and Ella May.....	Ducie
April 21	Laura Alberta Pratt.....	Patrick L. and Ella.....	Pratt
May 24	Esther Frances White.....	Lester S. and Helen E.....	Merritt
May 17	Barle Llewellyn Nash.....	Louis B. and Floretta.....	Young
June 8	Barbara Theone Whiting.....	Elmer W. and Florence May.....	Hunt
June 20	Mary Emily Henderson.....	Otis H. and Isabella D.....	Andrews
July 30	— Perry.....	Bert Irving and Hattie A.....	Whitcomb
July 30	Evelyn Marion Richardson.....	Irving and Sarah A.....	Groce
August 5	Elizabeth May Farrar.....	Clifford A. and Adelaide T.....	Simmons
August 8	Marion Adelaide Brett.....	Archie F. and Nellie Florence.....	Stoddard
September 22	Helene Louise Merritt.....	Edward and Amy.....	Temple
September 22	— Preston.....	Henry T. and Ida C.....	Smith
October 24	Corinne Caroline Gunderway.....	Chester H. and Edna Elsie.....	Burbank
October 26	— Pratt.....	Charles F. and Mary Hall.....	Burbank
November 26	Charles Forace Marble.....	Harding R. and Carrie Mathes.....	Bonney
November 8	Esther Sproul.....	Charles B. and Eva May.....	Dyer
November 22	Jerry Rollo Macomber.....	Walter and Fannie.....	Hedglen
November 25	Edith Gertrude Wagner.....		Henderson
December 4			
December 1903	Eldon Savory Whiting.....	Louis B. and Floretta.....	Young
January 4 1904	Arthur Lynwood Merritt.....	Archie F. and Nellie Florence.....	Stoddard
March 14			

The Town Clerk is prepared to furnish blanks for the returns required of physicians and parents.

DEATHS REGISTERED IN NORWELL IN 1906.

DATE.	NAME.	AGE.			CAUSE OF DEATH.	BIRTHPLACE.	PLACE OF DEATH.
		Y	M	D			
Jan. 5	Lillian M. Peckham.....	1	6		Bronchial pneumonia.....	Norwell.....	Norwell
26	Eveline Cushing (Bowker)..	89	5	19	Heart disease.....	Scituate.....	Norwell
March 12	Ann Swan (Grant).....	72			Cerebral hemorrhage.....	Maine.....	Norwell
April 17	Julia R. Thomas (Robinson)	69	11		Marasmus.....	Maine.....	Norwell
29	Martha W. Bates (Drake)...	72	10	24	Tuberculosis, influenza....	Marshfield....	Norwell
May 4	Richard P. Briggs.....	77	6	13	Cerebral hemorrhage.....	Hanover.....	Norwell
6	Charles Warren Sparrell....	70	4	6	Pneumonia.....	Scituate.....	Norwell
13	Jennie Lincoln Loring.....	21	3	22	Epilepsia-asthma.....	Hingham.....	Norwell
15	Mary B. Sampson (Savory) .	92	9		Influenza, old age.....	Plymouth.....	Norwell
25	Rufus S. Winslow.....	72			Cerebral hemorrhage.....	Hingham.....	Hanover
June 2	Dora F. Cronwell.....	1	11		Tuberculosis, pneumonia....	Plymouth.....	Norwell
9	Xoa A. Damon (Clapp).....	74	6		Cancer.....	Scituate.....	Norwell
10	Israel Hatch.....	57	1	6	Tuberculosis, pulmonaris....	Marshfield....	Norwell
21	Perry.....			1	Premature delivery.....	Norwell.....	Norwell
July 17	Lydia W. Hersey.....	67	2		Heart disease, nephritis....	Hingham.....	Norwell
22	Elijah Litchfield.....	85	10	13	Enlargement of prostate, uremia	Scituate.....	Norwell
Aug. 4	Alonzo Tolman.....	54	6		Cerebral disease.....	South Scituate	Norwell
9	Frederic J. Croning.....	63	5	19	Sarcoma.....	Boston.....	Norwell
12	Hannah B. Pratt (Hart)...	66	1		Cancer.....	Charlestown..	Norwell
30	George S. Poole.....	63		25	Appendicitis and intestinal obstruction.	Weymouth....	Norwell
14	Dennis S. Keene.....	58	7	8	Tuberculosis of lungs..... [disease	Maine.....	Norwell
24	George T. Tolman.....	62	2	8	Tuberculosis of lungs, pleurisy, heart.	Braintree.....	Norwell
19	Edward H. Hatch.....	38	6	7	Cancer of face.....	Marshfield....	Norwell
Oct. 17	Edward I. Williamson.....	42	8		Hemorrhage from stomach....	South Scituate	Norwell
Nov. 10	James F. Crocker.....	64	4		Inflammation of brain.....	Hanover.....	Norwell
Dec. 10	George W. Jones.....	65	7		Heart disease.....	Pembroke.....	Norwell
21	Thaddeus A. Lawrence.....	58	2		Valvular disease of heart.....	Scituate.....	Norwell

Number of marriages, 22.

Number of births 24.

Number of deaths, 27.

Respectfully submitted,

JOSEPH F. MERRITT, Town Clerk.

Tax Collector's Report.

Andrew J. Litchfield in account with the town of Norwell :

DR.

To outstanding taxes of 1905	\$3,394 92
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CR.

By cash paid treasurer	\$2,618 86
By cash deposited with treasurer to relieve bondsmen	776 06
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	\$3,394 92

DR.

To assessment of 1906	\$18,255 36
To excise tax of 1906	271 93
To interest collected on taxes	90 96
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	\$18,618 25

CR.

By cash paid treasurer	\$13,169 14
By excise tax paid treasurer	271 93
By interest on taxes paid treasurer	90 96

By discount on taxes
1906 taxes outstanding

\$188 05
4,898 17

\$18,618 25

Respectfully submitted,

ANDREW J. LITCHFIELD
Collector.

Report of the Town Treasurer.

Horace T. Fogg, treasurer, in account with town of Norwell :

DR.

To cash on hand January 17, 1906	\$1980 02
Dog tax 1905 refunded	336 25
Income Massachusetts school fund	1008 99
Refunded by the Commonwealth	
Corporation tax	\$2851 90
National bank tax	768 59
State aid	2308 00
State highway	200 00
Superintendent of schools	416 67
High school tuition	300 00
Tuition of children in small town	218 50
Burial of indigent soldiers	175 00
Inspection of animals	14 75
Street railway tax	134 70
Refunded by towns	
Town of Canton	\$156 00
Holbrook	126 13
Pembroke	3 00
Scituate	88 50
Duxbury	10 00
Hull	18 00
Plymouth	1 50
City of Lynn	61 00

John P. Henderson, net proceeds sale of	
Griffith place	\$200 00
Wm. and David Griffith, aid refunded	93 40
Sale of lot in cemetery	10 00
Sale of fish rights	12 00
Elbridge G. Bates, sale of school house	150 00
Expense of setting glass refunded	40
Licenses	18 00
James H. Pinkham, superintendent of	
almshouse	98 35
Second District Court fines	14 93
South Scituate Saving's Bank anticipation	
notes	6000 000
Interest on temporary deposits	51 86
Excise tax	271 93
Balance of assessment of 1905	3394 92
Assessment of 1906 on account	13,169 14
Interest on taxes	90 96
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	\$34,753 39

CR.

By cash paid on selectmen and school	
committee orders.	\$21,526 70
Alpheus Thomas, moderator by vote of	
town	10 00
James H. Barnard, bill, by vote of town	25
Post 112, G. A. R., by vote of town	100 00
Police officers, by order of Second Dis-	
trict Court Charles L. Spring	12 99
John T. Condon	5 80
Walter T. Osborn	79 07
South Scituate Savings Bank, anticipa-	
tion notes	5000 00

South Scituate Savings Bank, interest	
on same	\$117 62
South Scituate Savings Bank, time notes	1500 00
South Scituate Savings Bank, interest	
on time loan	234 75
Coffin poor fund, interest	80 00
A. T. Otis poor fund, interest	52 00
Scituate tax	5 42
County tax	1687 43
State tax	1365 00
Cash on hand to balance	2976 36
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	\$34,753 39

Respectfully submitted,

HORACE T. FOGG,
Treasurer.

Report of Overseers of the Poor.

ALMSHOUSE ACCOUNT.

EXPENSES.

Articles on hand Jan. 1, 1906	\$388 50
James H. Pinkham, salary	231 00
Charles E. Curtis, salary	75 00
H. S. Turner & Co., supplies	81 50
Curtis & Bates, supplies	150 18
Samuel Olson, fish	28 25
Mrs. Helen L. Fogg, wood	24 37
W. W. Cutler, provisions	28 73
G. H. Turner, fertilizer	35 00
C. W. and E. H. Sparrell, hay	13 63
A. J. Litchfield & Son, supplies	250 74
George F. Welch, supplies	33 88
George A. Hatch, shotes	12 00
A. I. Nash, rent of field 1905 and 1906	20 00
W. H. Spencer, iron boiler	6 50
Levi N. Osborn, repairs	4 00
Sparrell Bros., ice	12 20
Cash paid for supplies	1 50
John P. Henderson, wood	18 00
H. N. Magoun & Co., repairing pump	7 75
C. W. Tilden, blacksmithing	21 95
Frank Thomas, stock service	2 00
Frank Thomas, cedar posts	1 25

H. J. Little, M. D.	\$14 50
E. W. French, repairing harness	80
John Monahan, supplies	23 45
Corthell Bros., supplies	64 40
Articles bought for cash	4 00
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	\$1,555 08

ALMSHOUSE RECEIPTS.

Sale of produce	\$103 25
Sale of poultry	20 80
Sale of milk	11 19
Cash on hand	27 19
Board of horses	20 80
Due from town of Scituate board of Edgar Fernald	156 00
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	\$339 23

ARTICLES ON HAND JAN. 1, 1907.

One horse	\$40 00
Fowl	25 00
Two cows	75 00
Manure	25 00
Hay	45 00
Lumber	10 00
Potatoes	7 25
Turnips	1 25
Beans	1 00
Mangles	50

Carrots	\$1 00	
Wood	30 00	
Groceries	6 00	
Coal	10 25	
Pork	20 00	
	<hr/>	\$297 25

SUMMARY OF ALMSHOUSE ACCOUNT.

Total expenditures	\$1,555 08
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ALMSHOUSE CREDITS.

Receipts	\$339 23	
Articles on hand Dec. 31, 1906	297 25	
	<hr/>	\$636 48
Net cost of almshouse		\$918 60

OUT-DOOR POOR.

Sarah A. Studley.

Cash	\$52 00	
Medical attendance	28 00	
	<hr/>	\$80 00

Lorenzo Cromwell and Family.

Curtis & Bates, supplies	\$6 00	
C. W. and E. H. Sparrell, burial	12 00	
H. J. Little, M. D.	1 50	
	<hr/>	\$19 50

Frank H. Stoddard.

Town of Rockland, aid	\$44.25
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Mrs. W. A. Knight.

H. J. Little, M. D.	\$1 50
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Benjamin Briggs and Family.

South Scituate Savings Bank, interest	\$9 00	
A. J. Litchfield & Sons, supplies	78 00	
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Henry W. Winslow and Family.

A. L. Ford, supplies	\$3 00	
H. J. Little, M. D.	10 50	
	<hr/>	\$13 50

Bridget Shea.

State treasurer for board	\$36 44
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James Costello and family.

C. L. Howes, M. D.,	\$125 00	
F. E. Henderson, wood	6 00	
E. E. Stetson, supplies	9 57	
	<hr/>	\$140 57

Minnie Smith.

Town of Hanover	\$27 00
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James F. Crocker.

C. L. Howes, M. D.	\$48 50	
C. W. and E. H. Sparrell, burial	25 00	
	<hr/>	\$73 50

Calvin Talbot.

E. E. Stetson, supplies	\$1 66	
Town of Hanover, supplies	4 10	
	<hr/>	\$5 76

Mary Ryan.

H. J. Little, M. D.	\$15 00
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David Griffith and Wife.

E. M. Sexton, milk	\$8 46	
W. D. Turner, wood	10 85	
A. J. Litchfield & Son, supplies	36 87	
Curtis & Bates, supplies	52	
Corthell Bros., supplies	10 85	
	<hr/>	\$66 55

Rufus Winslow.

Charles Hammond, M. D.	\$1 50
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Mary A. Gardner.

John S. Brooks, supplies	\$58 47	
H. J. Little, M. D.	59 00	
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E. E. Gunderway.

A. J. Litchfield & Son, supplies	\$52 00	
H. J. Little, M. D.	10 00	
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Alden Beach and Family.

H. J. Little, M. D.	\$6 00
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Mrs. Wallace Chappelle.

Mass. Homoepathic hospital	\$49 00	
Town of Hingham	84 00	
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Eben Leavitt.

H. S. Turner & Co., supplies	\$19 53	
H. J. Little, M. D.	30 00	
	<hr/>	\$49 53

Eveline Cromwell.

H. J. Little, M. D.	\$13 50
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George A. Litchfield.

Town of Hingham	\$16 50	
Town of Weymouth	4 00	
	<hr/>	\$20 50
Total		<hr/> \$1014 07

AID TO PERSONS HAVING SETTLEMENT IN OTHER TOWNS.

Laban Bates, Hull.

Curtis & Bates, supplies	\$6 00	
H. S. Turner & Co., supplies	8 00	
	<hr/>	\$14 00

Josiah W. Chamberlain, Holbrook.

Phillips, Bates & Co., coal	\$23 00	
A. L. MacMillan, M. D.	34 25	
W. S. Simmons, wood	2 00	
M. Little, supplies	104 00	
F. E. Henderson, wood	6 00	
	<hr/>	\$169 25

Mrs. Josephine Keene, Pembroke

H. E. Fairbanks, supplies	46 66	
H. J. Little, M. D.	95 00	
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William Sears, Plymouth

H. J. Little, M. D.	\$2 00
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C. E. McPherson, Canton.

A. J. Litchfield & Son, supplies	\$156 00	
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Total		\$482 91

SUMMARY OF POOR ACCOUNT.

Total amount paid for outdoor poor	\$1,496 98	
Net cost of almshouse	918 60	
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Due from other towns		482 91
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Net cost of Poor		\$1,932 67

ALPHEUS THOMAS,
 EZRA E. STETSON,
 ERNEST H. SPARRELL,
 Overseers of Poor.

Soldiers' Relief.

Albert Winslow.

Emery T. Winslow, care	\$6 00	
Mrs. George Lee	57 00	
H. J. Little, M. D.	3 00	
	<hr/>	\$66 00

Albion Snowdale.

Aid		\$5 00
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David Bassford.

C. L. Howes, M. D.	\$207 50
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Benjamin F. Lee.

Town of Hanover, supplies	\$19 20
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	\$297 70

Removing Snow.

EAST WARD.

Geo. H. Turner, 1905	\$3 50	
E. P. Joseph	21 00	
Jesse Reed	2 00	
C. O. Litchfield	11 25	
	<hr/>	\$43 75

WEST WARD.

P. J. Sheehan	\$11 75	
Walter Simmons	5 25	
C. E. Brewster	14 75	
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SOUTH WARD.

E. A. Jacobs.	\$21 00	
F. E. Henderson	15 00	
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Total		<hr/> \$111 50

RIVER STREET ROAD ACCOUNT.

Paid Hammond & Turner, balance on contract	\$540 00
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State Aid Paid in 1906.

Peter Ainslie	\$60 00
Charles D. Barnard	72 00
David Bassford	72 00
Amanda Bassford	48 00
Amanda Coleman	48 00
Abbie F. Coleman	24 00
Timothy B. Chapman	60 00
Josiah W. Chamberlain	72 00
Maria B. Damon	48 00
Ensign B. Damon	72 00
Lucy Damon	36 00
Hannah Dover	24 00
Frank Dyer	48 00
Charles David	72 00
Daniel R. Ewell	72 00
Warren Fuller	72 00
Hannah Fuller	48 00
Seth O. Fitts	60 00
Mathias French	72 00
Diana Pierce	48 00
Lebbeus Leach	48 00
Tirzah E. Goodwin	17 00
Sarah Hatch	48 00
George A. Hatch	60 00
John H. Howard	48 00
Charles M. Leavitt	48 00
William H. Morse	48 00

William O. Merritt	\$60 00
B. B. Poole	48 00
B. W. Prouty	48 00
William H. Rand	36 00
David P. Robinson	36 00
Harriet Raymond	48 00
Mary Shepherd	48 00
William E. Stone	72 00
Edwin Studley	72 00
Albert T. Smith	48 00
Rebecca H. Totman	48 00
John F. Totman	24 00
George O. Torrey	72 00
George T. Tolman	45 00
Susan A. Tolman	12 00
James H. Williams	72 00
Albert Winslow	52 00
John S. Whitney	72 00
Esther M. Young	48 00

\$2,401 00

Approved by and due from the state.

Highways.

EAST WARD—E. P. JOSEPH.

E. P. Joseph and teams	\$455 60
Alex. Black, 352 1-2 hours at 20c	70 50
Amos H. Tilden, 108 hours at 20c	21 60
Seth O. Fitts, 17 hours at 20c	3 40
John Whalen and team	73 70
Charles A. Bates, 81 hours at 20c	16 20
Henry Leavitt, 9 hours at 20c	1 80
Frank Burns, 161 hours at 20c	32 20
Ernest Henderson, 23 hours at 20c	4 60
William Cutler, 32 hours at 20c	6 40
Jesse Reed and team, 59 hours at 50c	29 50
Jesse Reed, 27 hours at 20c	5 40
Walter Wagner, 18 hours at 20c	3 60
Lyman Lincoln, 31 hours at 20c	6 20
Lyman Lincoln, 56 hours at 25c	14 00
Edward Williamson, 90 hours at 25c	22 50
Coal	61 12
Joseph Hatch and 2 horses, 62 hours at 50c	31 00
Frank Baker, 90 hours at 20c	18 00
John Sparrell and 2 horses, 49 hours at 50c	24 50
Carlton Litchfield and 2 horses, 92 hours at 50c	46 00
Carlton Litchfield, 154 hours at 20c	30 80
A. L. Power, team, 13 hours at 50c	6 50
Samuel Brown, 27 hours at 20c	5 40

Fred M. Curtis, 121 1-2 hours at 20c	\$24 30
George H. Turner and two horses, 27 hours at 50c	13 50
Frank L. Thomas, gravel and stone	27 20
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	\$1,055 52

WEST WARD,—WALTER SIMMONS.

Walter Simmons and team	\$158 85
G. A. Turner, two snow plows	20 00
C. A. Wilder, 39 hours at 20c	7 80
C. H. Brewster and team, 85 hours at 50c	42 50
Albion Damon, 77 hours at 20c	15 40
Alden Damon, 78 hours at 20c	15 60
W. Farrar and two horses, 18 hours at 50c	9 00
A. J. Parr, 18 hours at 20c	3 60
Robert N. Leavitt, 221 1-2 hours at 20c	44 30
J. Weyowam, 18 hours at 20c	3 60
G. S. Prescott, 141 hours at 20c	28 80
Benj. Loring and two horses, 144 hours at 20c	72 00
W. D. Gardner, 54 hours at 20c	10 80
Wm. J. Hayden, 180 hours at 20c	36 00
Andrew Clapp, 94 hours at 20c	18 80
Chas. Tibbitts, 18 hours at 20c	3 60
H. L. Studley, 132 hours at 20c	26 40
Wm. T. Lapham, 5 hours at 20c	1 00
Geo. H. Bates, 27 hours at 20c	5 40
Ames Plow Co., road roller section	8 32
Patrick McNichol, 39 hours at 20c	7 80
D. F. Bates and two horses, 34 hours at 50c	17 00

Thomas Hill, 27 hours at 20c	\$5 40
J. S. Sylvia, 55 hours at 20c	11 00
Joseph Totman, 91 hours at 20c	18 20
C. H. Baker and horse, 98 hours	21 50
Bert Richardson, 15 hours at 20c	3 00
Wallace H. Damon, 88 hours at 20c	17 60
Joseph Briggs and two horses, 8 hours at 50c	4 00
Alonzo Stoddard, 8 hours at 20c	1 60
A. J. Parr, gravel, 36 loads at 6c	2 16
Jacobs Estate, gravel, 200 loads at 6c	12 00
Elisha Sprague, gravel, 25 loads at 6c	1 50

\$654 53

SOUTH WARD—F. E. HENDERSON.

F. E. Henderson, 27 1-2 days at \$2.50	\$68 75
Two men and four horses, 147 hours at \$1.00	147 00
Man and two horses, 31 hours at 50c	15 50
Man, 15 hours at 20c	3 00
Horse, 55 1-5 hours at 16 2-3c	9 16
Walter S. Briggs, two men and four horses 39 hours at \$1.00	39 00
W. D. Turner, two men and four horses 57 hours at \$1.00 .	57 00
W. D. Turner, man and three horses, 4 hours at 66 2-3c	2 67
E. A. Jacobs, man and two horses, 46 hours at 50c	23 00

T. Appleford, man and horse, 69 1/2 hours at	
33 1-3c	\$23 00
John Knapp, man and horse, 39 hours at	
33 1-3c	13 00
John Knapp, man, 4 hours at 20c	80
Frank Dyer, man and horse, 18 hours at	
33 1-3c	6 00
Lyman Lincoln, 55 hours at 25c	13 75
Chas. Simmons, 312 hours at 20c	62 40
James Studley, 239 1-2 hours at 20c	47 90
Albion Snowdale, 113 hours at 20c	22 60
Frank Dyer, 66 hours at 20c	13 20
James Smith, 155 hours at 20c	31 00
Robert Smith 210 hours at 20c	42 00
Chas. Smith, 68 hours at 20c	13 60
Daniel R. Ewell	4 00
Richard Winslow, 237 hours at 20c	47 40
Walter Briggs, 9 hours at 20c	1 80
Howard Packard, 43 hours at 20c	8 60
Herbert Hatch, 43 hours at 20c	8 60
Jared Gardner, 34 hours at 20c	6 80
G. W. Gerrish, 27 1-2 hours at 20c	5 50
John Whalen, 56 hours at 20c	11 20
Aleck Black, 9 hours at 20c	1 80
Samuel Brown, 60 hours at 20c	12 00
Gilbert West, 80 loads gravel at 6c	4 80
Wm. Rand, 114 loads gravel at 6c	6 84
Frank Thomas, 180 loads gravel 4c	7 20
H. N. Magoun, tile	7 50
H. N. Magoun, coal	61 12
Good Roads Machine Co.	8 50

\$858 66

SUMMARY OF HIGHWAY ACCOUNT.

East Ward	\$1,055 52	
South Ward	858 66	
West Ward	654 53	
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		\$2,568 71
Appropriation		2,500 00
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Exceeded		68 71

Gypsy Moth Account.

Appropriation		\$334 91
John H. Sparrell, local superintendent	\$55 63	
John Whalen	50 55	
John Wilder	5 80	
Curtis & Bates, supplies	85	
D. R. Ewell	9 80	
G. H. Bates	1 00	
W. O. Merritt	1 60	
W. E. Sexton	1 60	
W. H. Claflin & Co., burlap	35 22	
Harold Sexton	3 60	
Carrie M. Ford, printing	4 00	
Joseph Breck & Sons, supplies	1 45	
A. J. Litchfield & Son, supplies	55	
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		171 65
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Unexpended		\$163 26

Miscellaneous.

TOWN TOMB.

Appropriation		\$500 00
Expended in 1904—1905	\$355 18	
Phillips, Bates & Co., supplies	8 40	
Mrs. Collamore, material	2 00	
J. H. Curtis, cash paid	83 06	
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Net cost of tomb		448 64
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Unexpended		\$51 36

CEMETERY ACCOUNT.

Appropriation		\$50 00
Charles H. Lapham, labor	\$19 80	
Edwin C. Briggs, labor	4 00	
William H. Farrar, labor	3 50	
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		27 30
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Unexpended		\$22 70

TOWN HALL ACCOUNT.

Curtis & Bates, supplies	\$ 60	
A. J. Litchfield & Son, supplies	1 18	
Insurance 3 years	30 00	
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		\$31 78

TOWN SAFE.

Appropriation		\$200 00
Safe and desks	\$157 55	
E. P. Joseph, moving	18 00	
E. H. Sparrell, cash for freight	6 10	
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		181 65
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Unexpended		\$18 35

BOARD OF HEALTH.

Clifton S. Dean, services 1905 and 1906	\$6 00	
J. Frank Gear, supplies	7 00	
Alpheus Thomas, services	2 50	
Dr. H. J. Little, services and supplies	11 15	
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		\$26 65

PAINTING ALMSHOUSE.

Appropriation		\$250 00
Merritt & Sexton, contract	\$180 00	
Merritt & Sexton, repairs	9 80	
Phillips, Bates & Co., lumber	4 15	
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		193 95
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Unexpended		\$56 05

TOWN LOCKUP.

Appropriation		\$200 00
E. T. Barnum & Co., cells	\$152 07	
E. H. Sparrell, cash for freight	7 93	
C. W. and E. H. Sparrell, carting	4 75	
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		164 75
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Unexpended		\$35 25

TREE WARDEN.

Appropriation		\$50 00
John H. Sparrell, cash paid for trees	\$25 00	
John Whalen, labor	1 00	
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		26 00
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Unexpended		\$24 00

PUBLIC SQUARES.

Appropriation	\$100 00
Church Hill Improvement association	25 00
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Unexpended	\$75 00

TOWN INCIDENTALS.

Town of Marshfield, repairs on Union bridge	\$63 27
W. S. Briggs, guide boards	2 00
Geo. S. Hatch, expressing	10 95
Mitchel Manfg. Co., supplies for treasurer	2 65
Rockland Standard Co., printing	119 75
Carrie M. Ford, printing	24 32
So. Mass. Tel. Co., tolls	6 09
H. T. Fogg, examining titles and record- ing deeds	10 65
H. T. Fogg, fire warden 1905	9 00
Norwell P. O., postage	16 94
Boston Herald Co., advertising	81
A. W. Brownell, dog license book	2 60
Clifton S. Dean, Surveying Church Hill cemetery	12 00
Clifton S. Dean, stone bounds Church Hill cemetery	10 00
S. S. Savings Bank, interest on Griffith mortgage	18 00
P. B. Murphy, assessors' notices	1 00

Thorp & Martin Co., supplies to town clerk	\$3 45
C. L. Howes, M. D., return of births	50
Thos. Groom & Co., order book	9 75
C. H. Baker, repairing pump, Dist. No. 2	3 00
Brockton Times, advertising	1 65
H. D. Smith, repairing Delano Hill water works	2 00
E. E. Stetson, postage	1 04
C. W. & E. H. Sparrell, returning deaths	6 00
Helen L. Fogg, rent of vault	8 00
H. T. Fogg, deeds	4 00
H. J. Litchfield, cash for stamps	14 50
G. Osgood, M. D., returning births	1 00
Town of Pembroke, seeding ponds	7 80
Hall & Torrey, pump, pipe and labor Dist. 1	14 35
A. J. Littlefield & Son. supplies for town office	51
H. J. Little, M. D., returning births	75
Chas. Hammond, M. D., returning births	50

\$388 83

TOWN OFFICERS.

George Cushing, auditor	\$20 00
E. C. Briggs, inspector of provisions	32 50
J. F. Merritt, recording births, marriages and deaths	18 10
J. F. Merritt, services at election and clerk of registrars	25 00

J. F. Merritt, town clerk	43 00
Mary E. Curtis, school committee, secretary	50 00
George C. Turner, school committee	25 00
Benjamin Loring, school committee	25 00
Alpheus Thomas, services and expenses as selectman, assessor and overseer of the poor	180 90
Ezra E. Stetson, services and expenses as selectman, assessor and overseer of the poor	162 95
Ernest H. Sparrell, services and expenses as selectman, assessor, and overseer of the poor	164 00
Wm. H. Appleford, registrar of voters	15 00
E. M. Sexton, registrar of voters	15 00
J. H. Prouty, registrar of voters	15 00
Walter T. Osborn, constable and expenses	41 50
J. Warren Foster, constable and expenses	23 00
J. Warren Foster, Inspector of animals	31 50
Andrew J. Litchfield, collector	225 00
Horace T. Fogg, treasurer	100 00
Frank W. Jones, auditor	20 00
John Whalen, election officer	3 00
Charles Scully, election officer	3 00
L. Frank Hammond, election officer	3 00
W. E. Wilder, constable	5 00
A. W. Thomas, fire warden and cash paid	46 75
Jesse Reed, fire warden	4 00
H. T. Fogg, fire warden, cash paid Nash fire	1 50

\$1,298 70

FIRE ACCOUNT.

J. H. Sparrell, Nash fire	\$3 00
H. G. Pinson, Nash fire	2 00
John Whalen, Nash fire	2 00
Frank Studley, Nash fire	2 00
H. P. Merritt, Nash fire	2 00
John Leslie, Nash fire	2 00
Whitman Soule, Nash fire	2 00
H. S. Merritt, Nash fire	1 50
E. F. Freeman, Nash fire	1 50
W. E. Sexton, Nash fire	1 50
Samuel Olson, Nash fire	1 50
Arnold Beach, Nash fire	1 50
F. M. Curtis, Nash fire	1 50
A. Black, Nash fire	2 50
W. Fessenden, Nash fire	1 50
John Whalen, District No. 4	2 00
Charles H. Bates, Leavitt fire	2 00
Charles H. Bates, Leavitt fire	2 00

\$34 00

STONE CRUSHER.

Appropriation	\$2000 00
Good Roads Machine Co., stone crusher	\$1700 00
Good Roads Machine Co., oil, etc.	23 70
Good Roads Machine Co., toggles	12 00
Good Roads Machine Co., repairs	2 80
George F. Welch, lumber	25 75
E. P. Joseph, moving and setting up	64 47

T. F. Bailey & Son, building engine house	\$210 00	
J. H. Lehan, painting engine house	15 00	
John Whalen, labor at engine house	3 00	
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Exceeded		<hr/> \$56 72

Assessors' Report.

Value of buildings	\$442,301 00
Value of land	220,435 00
Value of personal property	164,747 00
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	\$827,483 00

State tax	\$1365 00
County tax	1687 43
Town tax	13,976 91
Over-layings	496 32
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Total tax	\$17,525 66

Street railway excise tax	\$271 93
Assessors' warrant to collector	17,525 66

Rate of taxation per thousand \$20.00.

Number of polls assessed 488.

Paying poll tax only 174.

Horses assessed 365.

Cows assessed 226.

Swine assessed 54.

Sheep assessed 52.

Fowls assessed 8,999.

Number of dwelling houses assessed 439.

Number of acres of land assessed 12,015.

Taxes Abated.

David H. Bates	\$3 80
Henry Bates	2 00
Laban R. Bates	2 38
Edwin Bates	2 00
Walter L. Boynton	2 53
Benjamin Briggs	12 13
Silas Fenwich	2 00
David Griffith	7 13
Daniel Hall, 2nd	2 00
Charles F. Keen	2 00
Charles E. McPherson	2 00
Bernard Randall	2 00
Ansel Phillips	4 00
James H. Costello	2 00
Henry H. Gardner	60
Charles David	3 05
Thomas H. Gunderway	2 75
George A. Jackman	2 00
Robert A. McKee	2 00
Albert Winslow	2 00
John Weaver	2 00
Alden Briggs	08
Melissa H. Cushing	08
A. Collamore estate	08
Mrs. Charles H. Merritt	08
Charles E. Nott	08
Emery Winslow	2 00

Josiah Studley	\$ 08
M. Sylvester (heirs)	08
Joseph Thompson	08
Sophia Turner	08
J. H. Whitman	08
Calvin E. Gay	2 00
Henry A. Pratt	2 00
James Ryan	2 00
John A. Sawyer	2 00
Nelson Shabott	2 15
Rufus Winslow	2 00
Henry W. Winslow	2 00
Adeline Briggs	37
Maria F. Curtis	1 88
L. C. Sylvester	08
Eben Leavitt	2 00
L. N. Osborne, Jr.	2 00
Alvin Baker	2 00
Edgar Lambert	2 00
Alva Tisdale	2 00
George L. Gardner	4 00
Robert Brown	6 17

\$101 82

RECAPITULATION

Taxes abated	\$101 82
Highway expenditures	2,568 71
River street	540 00
Snow expenditures	111 50
Stone crusher	2,056 75
Safe	181 65
Painting almshouse	193 95

Lockup	\$164 75
Board of health	26 65
Gypsy moths	171 65
Tree warden	26 00
Fire account	34 00
Town officers	1,298 70
Town hall	31 78
Incidentals	388 83
Cemetery	27 30
Tomb	93 46
Almshouse	1,555 08
Out-door poor	1,496 98
Soldiers' relief	297 70
State aid	2,401 00

CREDITS

Almshouse	636 48
State aid	2,401 00
Due from state, cattle inspection	15 75
Cemetery lots	10 00
Refunded by towns on account of poor	482 91

 FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

LIABILITIES.

Notes in favor of South Scituate Savings Bank	5,500 00
Mote in favor of the Coffin fund	2000 00
Note in favor of the Otis fund	1,300 00
Due other towns for support of poor (estimated)	200 00

ASSETS.

Due from state for state aid	2,401 00
Due from towns for aid to poor	482 91
Due from state, cattle inspection	15 75
Cash in hands of treasurer	2,976 36
Uncollected taxes	4,898 17

Norwell, Feb. 2, 1907.

I have examined the accounts of the treasurer, selectmen and collector and find them cast correctly and vouchers for all amounts paid.

FRANK W. JONES,
Auditor,

List of Jurors.

List of persons qualified to serve as jurors to be presented to the town for acceptance or revision.

James L. Litchfield	Farmer
L. Frank Hammond	Farmer
Arthur C. Jones	Artist
Lebbeus Leach	Retired
George H. Tisdale	Stitcher
Benjamin P. Nichols	Carpenter
Harrison Wilder	Retired
Clifton S. Dean	Teacher
Robert C. Henderson	Shoe cutter
James E. Stoddard	Shoe worker
Alpheus Thomas	Shoe worker
Minot Williamson	Veterinary
Joseph Briggs	Farmer
Jared H. Gardner	Artist
Arthur Henderson	Shoe cutter
Walter T. Osborn	Retired
Asa W. Robinson	Shoeworker
Tilon Williams	Farmer
Arnold Beach	Shoeworker
Herbert S. Turner	Merchant
Henry F. Ford	Retired
Charles D. Barnard	Harness maker
Bert Richardson	Sawyer
George Richardson	Farmer
Warren Fuller	Shoeworker
Joseph D. Stoddard	Shoeworker

Report of Trustees.

TWENTY NINTH ANNUAL REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES OF THE COFFIN POOR FUND.

Amount of fund		\$2,000 00
Loaned on town note at 4 per cent		
In Savings Bank Jan. 1 1906	\$84 89	
Cash on hand Jan. 1 1906	54 16	
Interest on bank book	4 77	
Interest on notes	80 00	
	<hr/>	\$223 82
Paid worthy poor	\$57 00	
Cash on hand Jan. 1 1907	81 16	
In bank Jan. 1 1907	79 66	
Paid care cemetery lot	6 00	
	<hr/>	\$223 82

TWENTY FIRST ANNUAL REPORT
 OF THE
 TRUSTEES OF THE A. T. OTIS CEMETERY
 AND TOMB FUNDS.

Amount of funds	\$1,500 00	
Interest on deposit Jan. 1906	233 98	
Interest to Jan. 1 1907	101 05	
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		\$1,835 03
Paid for care of lots and flowers	\$30 00	
Interest on deposit Jan. 1, 1907	305 03	
Amount of fund	1,500 00	
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		\$1,835 03

TWENTY FIRST ANNUAL REPORT
 OF THE
 A. T. OTIS POOR FUND.

Loaned on town note	\$, 1300 00	
In Savings Bank	700 00	
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Amount of fund		\$2,000 00

On hand Jan. 1, 1906	\$96 27	
Interest on bank book	45 24	
Interest on town note	52 00	
	<hr/>	\$193 51
Paid worthy poor	57 00	
In bank Jan. 1, 1907	105 25	
Cash on hand	31 26	
	<hr/>	\$193 51

EIGHTEENTH ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

TRUSTEES OF THE JOSSELYN CEMETERY

FUND.

Amount of fund	\$200 00	
Interest on deposit Jan. 1, 1906	45 40	
Interest to Jan. 1, 1907	14 22	
	<hr/>	\$259 62
Paid care of lot	\$8 00	
Interest on deposit Jan. 1, 1907	51 62	
Amount of fund	200 00	
	<hr/>	\$259 62

FIFTEENTH ANNUAL REPORT
 OF THE
 TRUSTEES OF THE SAMUEL C. CUDWORTH
 CEMETERY FUND.

Amount of fund	\$200 00	
Interest on deposit Jan. 1, 1906	28 36	
Interest on bank book	13 28	
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		\$241 64
Paid for care of lot	\$4 00	
Interest in bank	37 64	
Amount of fund	200 00	
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		\$241 64

ELEVENTH ANNUAL REPORT
 OF THE
 TRUSTEES OF THE PRUDENCE C. DELANO
 CEMETERY FUND.

Amount of fund	\$300 00	
Interest on deposit Jan. 1, 1906	83 15	
Interest to Jan. 1, 1907	22 34	
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		\$405 49

Paid care lot	\$5 00	
Interest on deposit Jan. 1, 1907	100 49	
Amount of fund	300 00	
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		\$405 49

NINTH ANNUAL REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES
OF THE
NANCY C. HERSEY CEMETERY FUND.

Amount of fund	\$100 00	
Interest on deposit Jan. 1, 1906	16 06	
Interest to Jan. 1, 1907	6 71	
	<hr/>	\$122 77
Paid for care of lot	\$4 00	
Interest on deposit	18 77	
Amount of fund	100 00	
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SEVENTH ANNUAL REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES
OF THE
BETSEY TOLMAN CEMETERY FUND.

Amount of fund	\$100 00	
Interest	9 99	
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		\$109 99

Paid care of lot	\$8 00	
Interest in bank	1 99	
Amount of fund	100 00	
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FOURTH ANNUAL REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES

OF THE

GEORGE P. CLAPP CEMETERY FUND.

Amount of fund	\$100 00	
Interest on deposit Jan. 1, 1906	12	
Interest on bank book	5 86	
	<hr/>	\$105 98
Interest on deposit Jan. 1, 1907	\$5 98	
Amount of fund	1 00	
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THIRD ANNUAL REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES

OF THE

MARY O. ROBBINS CEMETERY FUND.

Amount of fund	\$200 00	
Interest on deposit Jan. 1, 1906	10 00	
Interest on bank book Jan. 1, 1907	12 35	
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Paid care of lot	\$6 00	
Interest on deposit Jan. 1, 1907	16 35	
Amount of fund	200 00	
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		\$222 35

FIRST ANNUAL REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES

OF THE

CHARLES H. MERRITT CEMETERY FUND.

Amount of fund	\$50 00	
Interest in bank	2 39	
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		\$52 39
In Savings Bank	\$52 39	

FIRST ANNUAL REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES

OF THE

JAMES W. SAMPSON CEMETERY FUND.

Amount of fund	\$100 00	
Interest on deposit	3 79	
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		\$103 79
In Savings Banks	\$103 79	

Transcript of Articles in the Warrant.

FOR THE ANNUAL MEETING, MARCH 4, 1907, AT
SEVEN O'CLOCK A. M.

Article 1. To choose a Moderator.

Article 2. To bring in their votes for Town Clerk, Treasurer, Auditor, Tax Collector, Three Selectmen, Three Assessors, Three Overseers of the Poor, Five Constables, Three Highway Surveyors and Tree Warden; all for one year. One member of Board of Health and one member of School Committee for three years, and to vote "Yes" or "No" in answer to the question "Shall licenses be granted for the sale of intoxicating liquors in this town for the ensuing year?" All on one ballot. Polls open from 7.15 to 11.15 a. m.

Article 3. What amount of money will the town raise for the support of poor and incidental expenses?

Article 4. What sum of money will the town raise for the support of schools?

Article 5. What sum of money will the town raise for highway repairs?

Article 6. What compensation will the town make for removing snow and appropriate money for the same?

Article 7. In what manner and time shall the taxes be collected the ensuing year?

Article 8. Will the town accept the list of jurors prepared by the selectmen?

Article 9. Will the town authorize the treasurer, with the approval of the selectmen, to hire money in anticipation of taxes?

Article 10. To hear and act on the report of any committee heretofore chosen.

Article 11. To make allowance to town creditors.

Article 12. What sum of money will the town appropriate for the use of Post 112, G. A. R., on Memorial Day?

Article 13. What sum of money will the town appropriate for the payment of state and military aid?

Article 14. What sum of money will the town appropriate to pay the superintendent of schools?

Article 15. What sum of money will the town raise for repairs on schoolhouses and incidentals?

Article 16. Will the town cause a statement of their financial affairs to be printed in February next?

Article 17. Will the town appropriate a sum of money to be expended in the cemetery on Washington street?

Article 18. Will the town cause a new valuation to be taken in 1907?

Article 19. What price will the town pay for labor on the hiihways for the ensuing year?

Article 20. Will the town raise and appropriate the sum of \$167.46 for the suppression of the gypsy and browntail moths?

Article 21. Will the town appropriate a sum of money for the employment of a school physician?

Article 22. Will the town authoirze the installation of a new heating system at the Town hall and raise or appropriate a sum of money for the same?

Article 23. What action will the town take in regard to keeping the sidewalks in repair?

Article 24. Will the town change the name of River street to Stetson road?

Article 25. Will the town give any instructions to the town officers?

Article 26. Or act or do anything relative to the above.

Citizens desiring additional articles in the warrant must present them to the selectmen on or before Feb. 21, 1907.

ALPHEUS THOMAS,
EZRA E. STETSON,
ERNEST H. SPARRELL,
Selectmen of Norwell.

ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

SCHOOL COMMITTEE

OF THE

TOWN OF NORWELL

FOR THE YEAR 1906

Report of the School Committee.

To the Citizens of Norwell :

With all the changes that have come to our schools the past year, we have been fortunate in one thing, and that is, that we have been able to keep our superintendent, Mr. C. A. Harris. Mr. Harris devotes himself unceasingly to his work and is always ready at any time to give advice and assistance to teachers or committee. Mr. Harris has made, in this town alone, the past year, over one hundred calls, beside keeping every school in supplies, hiring teachers, and doing a multitude of things necessary to keep the schools in running order.

TEACHERS.

Jan. 1, 1906, our teaching force was as follows :

High School, Principal, John E. DeMeyer ; First Assistant, Marion D. Ames ; Second Assistant, Maude A. Reed.

District No. 1, Grammar School, Eva F. McClellan.
Primary school, Sarah F. Richardson.

District No. 5, Grammar school, Martha C. Scully.
Primary school, Marion G. Merritt.

District No. 6, mixed school, Jeannette A. Dawson.

District No. 7, Primary school, Maria W. Tolman.

Drawing teacher, A. Gertrude Jones.

Of these ten teachers, Dec. 31. 1906, but five remain with us. Mr. DeMeyer was the first to leave us, resigning May 1, to accept the position of Superintendent of Schools in Scituate, Marshfield and Duxbury. We were very sorry to lose Mr. DeMeyer and with only eight weeks remaining before graduation, we were almost at a loss to know just what to do. But Mr. DeMeyer kindly volunteered to come up from Scituate and assist the new principal in his work, especially with the graduating class, and after a hurried trip to Maine he secured for us the services of Mr. A. B. Lewis, a senior in Bates college for four weeks and Mr. C. P. Durell, an experienced teacher, for the remainder of the term. We were so much pleased with the work of Mr. Lewis during that short time that at a meeting of the committee, he was elected principal for the next year. The next to leave us was Miss Reed, who had been second assistant in the High school. Miss Reed felt that she was deserving of more pay, which we were not able to give, and so she left us. As her successor, we secured Miss Sarah M. Damon, a Radcliffe graduate.

During the summer vacation we received the resignation of Miss Sarah F. Richardson, who for some years had been a successful and dearly loved teacher in District No. 1, primary. As Miss Richardson contemplated entering the marriage state, we had nothing to say, except that we deeply regretted her departure. We succeeded in finding a successor to Miss Richardson in Miss Sarah E. Peterson, a graduate of Bridgewater Normal school, and although she came to us without experience, (except in the work of the Model school at Bridgewater) yet she has met with the best of success in a very large school. Upon the resignation of Miss Dawson in District No. 6, we were fortunate enough to secure Miss Mary F. Kauffmann's services as a

substitute for the remainder of the year. Miss Kauffmann left us in June and accepted a much better position in Duxbury.

In September, Miss Eva S. Burns, a graduate of our own High school and the Hyannis Normal school, assumed charge of District No. 6 and her work thus far has been very satisfactory. The next to leave was Miss McLellan from District No. 1 Grammar School, to accept a more lucrative position in Brockton. Then it was that we tried to reward Miss Scully, who had taught long and faithfully in District No. 5 by giving her this school in her own district. And then to find a teacher for No. 5 Grammar school became one of the most difficult tasks it has ever been our lot to undertake. For three weeks we tried in every way to find a suitable candidate, but in vain. When we mentioned 45 pupils, in three grades, at ten dollars per week, that was enough, not one could we get. After trying five agencies in Boston with no success, at the sixth, we at last obtained a substitute, (Miss H. S. Farwell) for two weeks, but then only by paying twelve dollars per week.

Year after year we lose the best of teachers because we are unable to advance the salaries we now pay. But this must not continue, we *must* pay better wages. It has been truly said that everything advances *but* wages. Look at the price of board, for instance, compared with that of twenty or even ten years ago; a teacher then got first-class board for three dollars or at most three and one-half dollars per week, now board can be obtained at neither hotel nor private family at less than five dollars per week. People say, "We cannot afford to board a person for any less than five dollars at the present high prices for food," and that is right. And again, if a teacher worked every week in the year it would be a different matter, but instead, in our

common schools we have only thirty-eight weeks, at nine dollars per week for primary teachers making \$342 for a year's work, or an average wage of \$6.58 per week, just think of that! It is claimed by eminent authorities, that it is only by employing teachers whose homes are in the town, that many of our country towns are able to obtain, in many instances, as good teachers as they do, and our town is no exception.

REPAIRS.

As is usual in the summer vacation all the schoolhouses and outbuildings were thoroughly cleaned, stoves and funnels put in order and everything put in readiness for the opening of schools. In District No. 1 the outbuildings had to be enlarged, the fact being made necessary by the great increase in the number of pupils. The building received also a new coat of paint on the outside and the primary room was greatly improved by being treated to new Muresco on the walls and paint on the woodwork.

Some more work should be done on the halls of this building the coming year, but the expense of this will be met out of the regular appropriation. The primary room in District No. 5 and the halls also, received a fresh coat of paint and are much improved thereby. The schoolhouse in No. 5 should be painted on the outside during the summer as it stands very much in need of it at present. Something should be done about providing a suitable heating plant for our High School building. We now have to keep four fires and then the building is not warm. One day quite recently, a steady cold day with no wind blowing, at nine o'clock the thermometer registered just 32 degrees. No room of that temperature is a suitable place in which to

hold a session of school. Last summer vacation, a reputable firm of plumbers offered to put a furnace into the building and guaranteed to heat it for a very low figure, (about \$300). Cannot some action be taken to have this done; it will be a wise outlay of money to our minds.

OUR SCHOOLS.

Let us consider for a little, a few of the most important questions in regard to the schools of our town. First of all is the old and ever recurring question of attendance. Have you, fathers and mothers, sent your children to school every day that you possibly could do so, the past year?

If so, why do we have to employ truant officers and why are there so many absent marks on the registers? In our town there is absolutely no excuse for a child to remain away from school while in good health. Our children are among the favored ones of this country, all, almost with exception, enjoying comfortable homes with kind parents to care for them, good schools, the benefits of a Public Library, churches and Sunday Schools, free to all, and really knowing nothing of the poverty and sorrow of many of the children of our cities. Will you oblige us by examining the abstract from the registers? Why, in nearly every case it is not so good as last year, can you not help to raise the per cent. of attendance for next year? The comfortable barges provided for the transportation of our pupils make "going to school" seem easy when compared with the distances walked by many in years past. Parents you have something to think of right here! No superintendent, or barge driver can *make* your child behave on the barge; it is you alone who are responsible for the behavior of the children. Tell your child when he starts out

in the morning, to behave himself and see that he does. When he comes home at night with tales of how other children behaved, find out if he did *just* right himself, it takes two to make a quarrel we have always heard. No good driver having the care of a pair of horses, oftentimes with the roads in bad condition, can be turning around too often to see what is going on behind him. You would not allow your child to make a disturbance on an electric or steam car, and why should he do so on any other public conveyance? Your committee have had, several times, to deny some child the privilege of riding, but have you upheld us? If each parent will just agree to make *his* child behave during the coming year, the system will be greatly benefited.

Even the health of children is watched over by the legislature of our state. Last winter a law was passed, whereby an eye and ear test has to be made at least once a year by the teacher and a notice of any defect in either case is sent the parent. In our town alone several cases of defective sight have been found and a very few of defective hearing. And still another law which reads thus, "Whenever a child shows symptoms of smallpox, scarlet fever, measles, chickenpox, tuberculosis, diphtheria or influenza, tonsillitis, whooping cough, mumps, scabies or trachoma, he shall be sent home immediately, or as soon as safe and proper conveyance can be found, and the board of health shall at once be notified," this law being designed to prevent the spread of contagious diseases which have so often caused the closing of our schools. Last year, if you remember, we asked you to reserve your criticisms of the teacher until the children were out of hearing, and in a recent issue of a popular magazine, we saw an article by one of the most popular writers of children's stories, in which she says, "Have you

ever reflected that after your children enter on their school days, they spend more time with the teacher than with you? The teacher impresses their minds with her ideas and shows them her ideals. They have studied their profession and bring to it courage, faith and enthusiasm. The teacher is usually very much loved by her pupils. When they dislike her, treat her with disrespect or suspicion, there is a fault somewhere, and ordinarily that fault lurks in the home attitude." Is not this all true? Your looks or even the tones of your voice let the children know how *you* feel toward the teacher. Make the teacher your friend, visit your children in their school rooms, interest yourself in their lessons, let them understand that at present nothing but their education is to be first and foremost, that without an education they would indeed be unfitted to battle with life and its problems. While so much is being done by both State and town for the children's benefit, let us try to teach them to appreciate it, and in after years to bring honor and not dishonor on the name of our town. "Let the school help you, and on your part help the school."

Respectfully Submitted,

BENJAMIN LORING,
GEORGE C. TURNER,
MARY E. CURTIS,

School Committee of Norwell.

Expenditures.

EXPENDITURES CHARGEABLE TO THE APPROPRIATION.

For the winter term of ten weeks, 1906, but chargeable to the appropriation of 1905.

TEACHERS' SALARIES.

John E. DeMeyer	\$270 00
Marion D. Ames	135 00
A. Maude Reed	120 00
Eva F. McClellan	100 00
Sarah F. Richardson	90 00
Martha C. Scully	100 00
Marion G. Merritt	90 00
Jeannette A. Dawson	18 00
Mary F. Kauffmann	72 00
Maria W. Tolman	90 00
A. Gertrude Jones	35 00
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	\$1120 00

SUPERVISION.

Charles A. Harris	\$150 00
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TRANSPORTATION.

Mrs. E. L. Loring	\$198 00
John F. Osborne	176 00
L. F. Hammond	154 00
L. F. Hammond	44 00
James L. Litchfield	132 00
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	\$704 00

CARE OF ROOMS.

Fred J. Croning, High School	\$30 00
Ralph L. Phipps, District No. 1	10 00
Edwin W. French, District No. 5	10 00
Seth O. Fitts, District No. 6	10 00
W. C. Tolman, Jr., District No. 7	6 50
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	\$66 50

EXPENDITURES CHARGEABLE TO THE APPROPRIATION.

For Spring and Fall Terms, 1906.

TEACHERS' SALARIES.

John E. DeMeyer, principal High school	\$112 50
Albion B. Lewis, principal High school	440 00
Charles P. Durell, principal High school	80 00

Marion D. Ames, first assistant, High school	\$285 00
Sarah M. Damon, second assistant, High school	160 00
Maude A. Reed, second assistant, High school	120 00
A. Gertrude Jones, drawing teacher	90 00
Eva F. McClellen, District No. 1, grammar	250 00
Martha C. Scully, District No. 1, grammar	30 00
Sarah F. Richardson, District No. 1, primary	108 00
Sara E. Peterson, District No. 1, primary	144 00
Martha C. Scully, District No. 5, grammar	250 00
Hannah S. Farwell, District No. 5, grammar	24 00
Marion G. Merritt, District No. 5, primary	252 00
Mary F. Kauffmann, District No. 6, mixed	108 00
Eva S. Burns, District No. 6, mixed	128 00
Maria W. Tolman, District No. 7, primary	252 00
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\$2,833 50	

CARE OF ROOMS.

L. F. Hammond, High school	\$64 00
Fred J. Croning, High school	50 50

Ralph L. Phipps, District No. 1	\$10 00
Ralph G. Lambert, District No. 1	10 00
Edwin W. French, District No. 5	28 00
Seth O. Fitts, District No. 6	14 00
Eva S. Burns, District No. 6	10 00
William C. Tolman, Jr., District No. 7	15 00

\$201 50

FUEL AND FITTING.

Benjamin Loring, wood (as per contract)	\$27 00
L. F. Hammond, wood (as per contract)	25 00
John Whalen, wood (as per contract)	11 90
William S. Simmons, wood	3 48
Walter Simmons, coal	56 00
H. A. Turner & Sons, wood	5 00
John Whalen, wood	4 50
John Whalen, moving and fitting wood	4 50
William D. Turner, measuring wood	75
W. H. Briggs, labor on wood	1 50
Jerome F. Wadsworth, labor on wood	1 50
Willie W. Loring, labor on wood	10 00
Walter C. Barnard, sawing wood	11 25
George E. White, labor on wood	1 00

\$163 38

SUPERINTENDENT.

Received from state	\$250 00	
Town appropriation	250 00	
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Paid C. A. Harris		350 00
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		\$150 00

TRANSPORTATION.

Mrs. E. L. Loring	\$523 00	
John F. Osborne	464 00	
L. J. Hammond	410 00	
J. L. Litchfield	377 00	
G. S. Hatch	7 50	
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BOOKS AND SUPPLIES.

The Boston Music Co.	\$2 34	
E. E. Babb & Co.	325 99	
American Book Co.	73 10	
Silver, Burdette & Co.	29 43	
Ginn & Co.	32 09	
J. L. Hammett & Co.	59 36	
Samuel Ward Co.	5 25	
Journal of Geography	1 80	
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CLEANING SCHOOL HOUSES.

Clarence C. Hook, High school	\$21 25	
Mrs. Eva L. Winslow, District No. 7	6 00	
Mrs. M. A. Osborne, District No. 5	10 00	
Seth O. Fitts, District No. 6	6 50	
Mrs. E. C. Jones, District No. 1	12 00	
	<hr/>	\$55 75

HIGH SCHOOL FUND.

Unexpended balance from last year	\$5 04	
Received from State	300 00	
	<hr/>	\$305 04

C. A. Harris, books	\$4 00	
J. E. DeMeyer, teaching	25 00	
Houghton, Mifflin & Co., books	18 70	
Arthur W. Hall Scientific Co., supplies	23 42	
D. C. Heath & Co., books	22 26	
Ginn & Co., books	58 13	
Marion D. Ames, teaching	50 00	
L. E. Knott Apparatus Co.	1 15	
American Book Co.	6 45	
Benjamin H. Sanborn & Co.	2 73	
E. E. Babb & Co.	56 15	
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		\$37 05

SUPPLIES AND INCIDENTALS.

Carrie M. Ford, printing	\$25 50
D. W. Ross, fire screen for District No. 7	2 50

D. W. Ross, labor at High school	\$ 50
Curtis & Bates, supplies to schools	12 54
Norwell Post Office, stamps	2 73
J. E. DeMeyer, cash paid for expressing	1 40
J. E. DeMeyer, expenses to Lewiston	13 00
Hall & Torrey, supplies	9 28
Randall's Express, expressing	6 38
C. A. Harris, expenses	9 85
W. W. Wade, tuning piano	2 50
H. S. Turner & Co., ribbon for diplomas	89
Patrick McNicol, cleaning vaults	8 00
L. N. Osborne, stock and labor at Nos. 1, 5 and 7	29 00
Benjamin Loring, telephoning, traveling expenses etc.	5 72
Merritt & Sexton, painting District No. 1 (contract)	82 00
Merritt & Sexton, painting primary room, District No. 1	12 65
W. E. Sexton, extra work on outbuild- ing at No. 1	6 50
W. O. Merritt, labor at No. 5	1 00
W. H. Spencer, labor on stoves and materials furnished	21 13
C. L. Rice & Co. matting for High school	8 28
W. A. G. Smith, clock	3 75
W. T. Osborn, services as truant officer	4 00
H. J. Tolman, labor at No. 7	1 60
Geo. A. Turner, labor and materials at No. 1	93 19
F. E. Henderson, labor at No. 7	2 00
C. H. Baker, materials and labor	2 75
The Douglas Printing Co., printing	1 50

A. Gertrude Jones, cash paid for freight and carting	\$1 25	
A. J. Litchfield & Son, mdse. to schools	3 44	
J. H. Lehan, materials and labor	48 12	
	<hr/>	\$422 95

AVAILABLE FUNDS FOR PRESENT YEAR.

Town appropriation	\$6,000 00	
Dog tax	346 76	
State Board of Charity	218 50	
Received from state on account of teachers' salaries	166 67	
State school fund	1,008 99	
Due from Town of Rockland for tuition	79 00	
	<hr/>	\$7,819 92
Amount expended		5,987 94
		<hr/>
		\$1,831 98
Expenses to April (estimated)		1,903 00
		<hr/>
Deficit		\$71 02

AUDITOR'S REPORT.

Norwell, Jan. 26, 1907.

I have examined the accounts of the School Committee and find vouchers for all amounts paid.

FRANK W. JONES,
Auditor.

ABSTRACT FROM REGISTERS.

	WINTER TERM—1906.						SPRING TERM—1906.						FALL TERM—1906.					
	Number Enrolled.	Average Membership	Average Attendance	Per cent. of Attendance	Number of Tardy Marks	Number of Visitors	Number Enrolled	Average Membership	Average Attendance	Per cent. of Attendance	Number of Tardy Marks	Number of Visitors	Number Enrolled	Average Membership	Average Attendance	Per cent. of Attendance	Number of Tardy Marks	Number of Visitors
No. 1 Primary	42	39.43	34.74	.88	13	20	43	41.56	40.26	.96	26	43	53	46.35	41.60	.95	37	22
No. 1 Grammar	24	22.	20.11	.91	11	12	23	21.62	20.86	.96	2	37	19	18.70	17.54	.95	6	20
No. 5 Primary	36	34.	29.66	.87	6	16	36	34.25	31.76	.92	21	11	45	36.64	34.02	.92	12	21
No. 5 Grammar	46	44.33	39.33	.88	9	5	43	41.68	37.61	.90	12	4	46	44.88	41.79	.93	37	12
No. 6 Mixed	33	31.33	27.13	.86	1	16	34	31.33	28.18	.89	3	37	27	27.	24.	.88	8	60
No. 7 Primary	21	20.72	18.2	.87	4	16	21	20.9	18.85	.90	7	10	21	19.15	18.2	.95	13	12
Hgh	45	43.92	41.60	.94	6	10	42	42.	41.5	.98	4	16	56	54.02	52.25	.96	7	12

SCHOOLS

Report of the Superintendent.

To the School Committee of Norwell :

I herewith submit for your consideration my second annual report.

COURSES OF STUDY.

Outlines of work in arithmetic, geography, history, language including reading, writing, spelling and grammar, have been given the teachers so that the schools are pursuing a definite line of work.

VISION AND HEARING TESTS.

An act which took effect on the first day of September in the year nineteen hundred and six requires the teachers to test the sight and hearing of all pupils in the public schools.

These tests have been made in Norwell, and out of a total of 204 pupils 175 of whom were examined, we submit the following result :

Defective in eyesight	26
Defective in hearing	6
Number of parents notified	26

Some persons, and I reluctantly include teachers, have questioned the value of these tests, asserting that parents

would not heed the notifications. On the contrary they have been very thankful for the information, and have sought expert advice with the result that many children are wearing glasses fitted to their eyes.

AN EDUCATIONAL EVIL.

Four grades aggregating fifty pupils are indisputably too many for any teacher, yet this is the condition at Ridge Hill. The fact that the pupils are housed and seated should not satisfy the thinking people. The best results cannot be obtained. Even if the teacher be given more money for her work, this does not solve the problem from an educational standpoint. To be sure the salary here, as elsewhere in the town, must be increased, but this does not furnish the teacher with any more energy or ability to carry on the work.

The only remedy is to use the whole building at Ridge Hill for a primary school with the first two grades in one room, and the next two in the other room.

This would necessitate the transporting of the grammar pupils to another building, possibly the abandoned No. 2, and require one more teacher.

PROGRESSION OR RETROGRESSION.

Norwell has not constructed a school building in years. To maintain this status is easy--to progress requires ambition. The town would be proud of a modern school building.

Should a new modern school building be erected near or on the site of No. 5, and No. 6 closed permanently, the educational system would be incalculably more beneficial to the children.

This would give to the teacher fewer grades, but not necessarily fewer children. Under such a scheme Norwell schools would begin to be modernized.

MUSIC.

From the last report of the State Board of Education I quote the following:—"The returns received by the secretary show that vocal music is taught as a regular branch of instruction in all the schools of 270 of the 354 towns and cities. The 270 towns in which music is systematically taught contain 94.5 per cent. of all the schools in the state, and 96.8 per cent. of all the pupils. From the special report alluded to, it also appears that the instruction in music in 254 towns and cities is under the direction of specialists, who usually combine the functions of teaching and supervising.

From the foregoing it is evident that not only is music taught to practically all children in the public schools, but that in case of the great majority of these children the instruction is given by specially trained teachers.

This superintendency union, as is known, consists of Hanover, Hanson, and Norwell. Hanover and Hanson are, therefore, receiving an education superior to that received by the children of Norwell. Are not the boys and girls of Norwell as worthy of receiving the best there is as well as the boys and girls of the previously mentioned places?

I, therefore, recommend that the committee ask for an appropriation sufficient to employ a special, well trained, teacher of music, and to buy an adequate number of music books for the schools.

SUGGESTION.

I want to call attention to the conditions at No. 1 and No. 5, so called, for which immediate remedy should be found. These are, as is known, two-story buildings. It has been found necessary to locate the stoves in both grammar and primary schools near the entrances to the rooms. Should a fire start at this point the only exit for the children in the upper rooms would be intercepted.

To make the necessary change would cost money—to have the only exit cut off in case of fire would cost lives.

In conclusion I wish to extend to the teachers and committee my sincere thanks for their loyalty and support.

Respectfully submitted,

CHARLES A. HARRIS.

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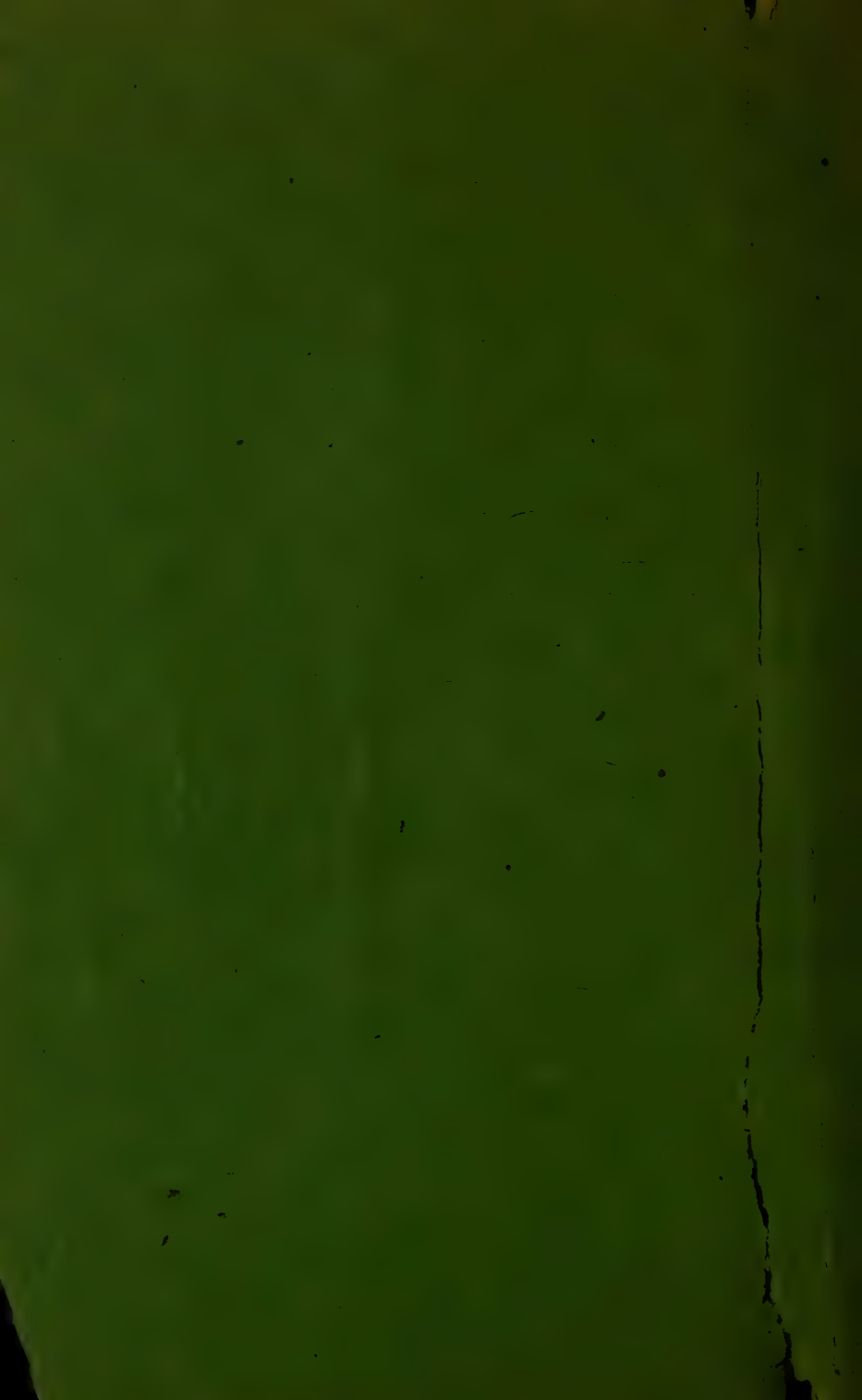
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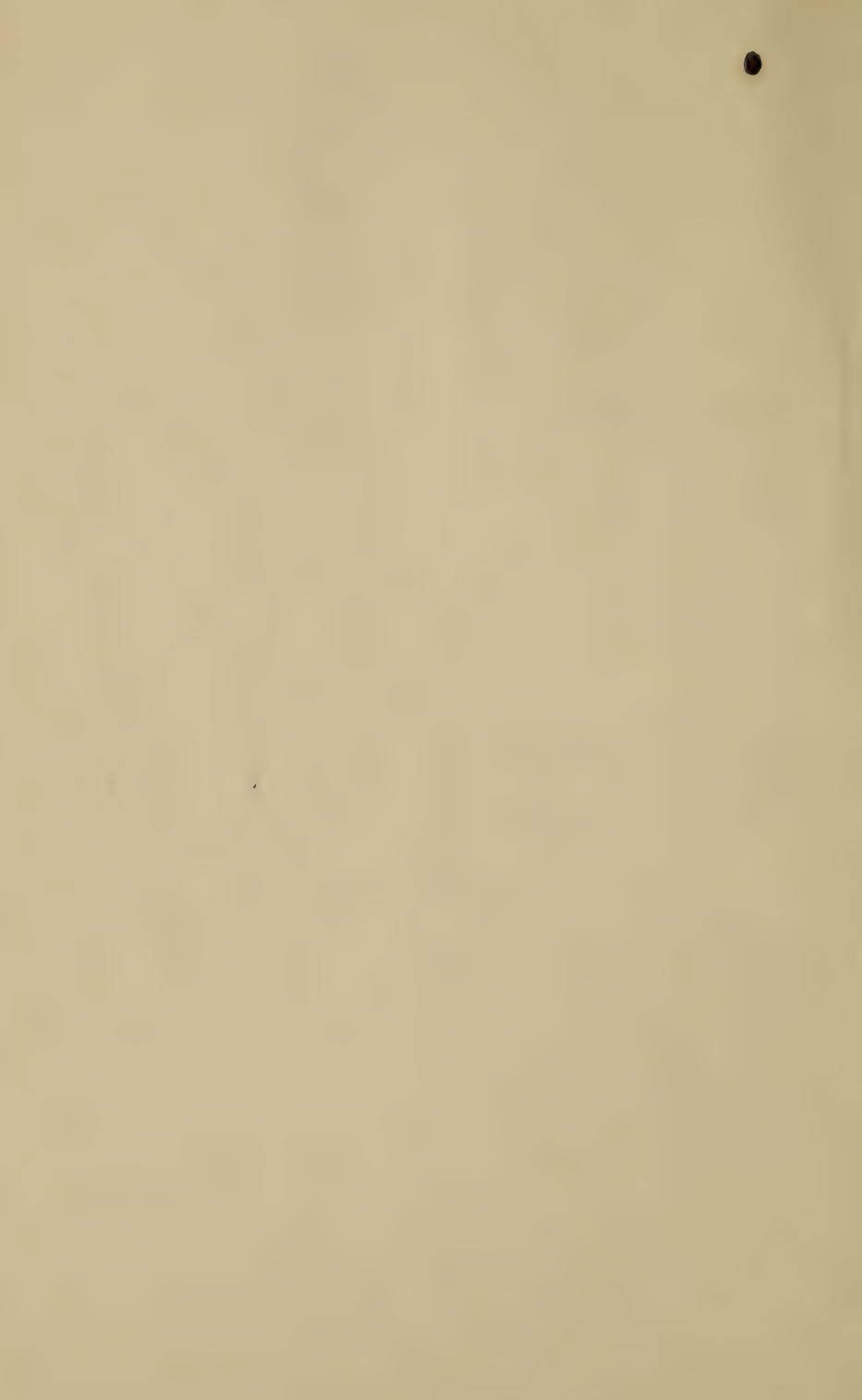
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Report of the Town Clerk

At the annual meeting of the qualified voters of the town of Norwell held March 4, 1907, the following action was taken on the articles contained in the warrant :

Article 1. Chose Alpheus Thomas moderator.

Article 2. To bring in their votes for Town Clerk, Treasurer, Auditor, Tax Collector, three Selectmen, three Assessors, three Overseers of the Poor, five Constables, three Highway Surveyors and Tree Warden, all for one year. One member of Board of Health and one member of School Committee for three years, and to vote "Yes" or "No" in answer to the question, "Shall licenses be granted for the sale of intoxicating liquors in this town for the ensuing year?" All on one ballott. Polls open from 7.15 to 11.15 A. M.

John Whalen, L. Frank Hammond, Charles Scully, Edward W. Gardner and Clifton S. Deane, being appointed election officers were sworn as such by the clerk. The ballots and everything belonging to the election were delivered to the moderator and the polls were declared open at 7.19 A. M. and were closed at 11.21 A. M.

The number of names checked on the voting lists and the number of ballots cast were 204.

On being canvassed and counted in open meeting the following officers were found to be elected :

Town Clerk, Joseph F. Merritt.

Selectmen, Assessors and Overseers of the Poor, Alpheus Thomas, Ezra E. Stetson, Ernest H. Sparrell.

Treasurer, Horace T. Fogg.

Auditor, Frank W. Jones.

Tax Collector, Andrew J. Litchfield.

School Committee for three years, Benjamin Loring.

Board of Health for three years, Harry J. Little.

Highway Surveyors, Emanuel P. Joseph, Francis E.

Henderson, Joseph Briggs.

Constables, Clarence E. Barnard, Joshua W. Foster, Walter T. Osborn, William E. Wilder and L. Frank Hammond.

Tree Warden, John H. Sparrell.

The vote on license was: "Yes," 50. "No," 123.

Blanks, 31.

Article 3. What amount of money will the town raise for the support of poor and incidental expenses?

Voted to appropriate \$2,000 for the support of poor.

Voted to appropriate \$400 for incidentals.

Article 4. What sum of money will the town raise for the support of schools?

Voted to appropriate \$6,475 for support of schools to include salary of superintendent of schools.

Article 5. What sum of money will the town raise for highway repairs?

Voted to appropriate \$2,500 for highway repairs.

Article 6. What compensation will the town make for removing snow and appropriate money for the same?

Voted to appropriate \$250 for removing snow.

Voted to appropriate money received from street railway exercise tax for snow.

Voted to pay 25 cents per hour for this work.

Article 7. In what manner and time shall the taxes be collected the ensuing year?

Voted that a discount of two per cent. be allowed on taxes paid on or before October 1st; that on all taxes not paid

December 1st, interest be charged at the rate of six per cent. ; after April 1, 1908, the collector shall issue summons and proceed to collect all unpaid taxes, and that the money shall be paid to the treasurer or a deposit made by the collector for all unpaid taxes on or before July 1, 1908.

Voted that the collector have the same powers in the collection of taxes that he would have if he were also town treasurer.

Voted that the salary of the collector be \$225.

Voted that the collector publish in the next annual report the names of all persons together with the amount of tax, for whom he has to make a deposit with the treasurer July 1, 1907, covering the assessment of 1906.

Article 8. Will the town accept the list of jurors prepared by the selectmen?

J. H. Lehan, John H. Prouty and Herbert S. Turner, a committee appointed by the moderator to revise the jury list, reported the following names and their report was accepted:

LIST OF JURORS.

James L. Litchfield
L. Frank Hammond
Arthur C. Jones
Lebbeus Leach
George H. Tisdale
Benjamin P. Nichols
Harrison Wilder
Clifton S. Deane
Robert C. Henderson
James E. Stoddard
Alpheus Thomas
John Whalen
Joseph Briggs

Charles Tolman
Harold E. Stetson
Walter T. Osborne
Asa W. Robinson
Amos H. Tilden
Arnold Beach
Herbert S. Turner
Henry F. Ford
Charles D. Barnard
Carlton O. Litchfield
John H. Prouty
Willard Torrey
Joseph D. Stoddard

Article 9. Will the town authorize the Treasurer, with the approval of the selectmen, to hire money in anticipation of taxes?

It was voted by a majority of the legal voters present and voting, that the treasurer be and hereby is authorized, with the approval of the selectmen, to borrow during the present municipal year, in anticipation of the collection of taxes, such sums of money as may be necessary for the current expenses of the town, but not exceeding the total tax levy for said year, giving the notes of the town therefor, payable within twelve months from the date thereof. All debts incurred under the authority of this vote shall be paid from the taxes of the present municipal year.

Article 10. To hear and act on the report of any committee heretofore chosen.

The committee chosen to look into the matter of fire protection recommended the purchase of two dozen chemical fire extinguishers.

Voted, that the selectmen be authorized to purchase them and that they be placed in different parts of the town; also that an appropriation of \$300 be made for this purpose.

The Town Clerk reported he had not secured any satisfactory designs for a new seal and it was voted that he be allowed more time and report at a future meeting.

Voted to accept the reports of the town officers as printed.

Article 11. To make allowance to town creditors.

No bills were presented at this time.

Article 12. What sum of money will the town appropriate for the use of Post 112, G. A. R., on Memorial day?

Voted to appropriate \$100 for this purpose.

Article 13. What sum of money will the town appropriate for the payment of state and military aid?

Voted to appropriate \$2,600 for state and military aid.

Article 14. What sum of money will the town appropriate to pay the superintendent of schools?

No action was taken on this article as it was included in the general school appropriation.

Article 15. What sum of money will the town raise for the repairs of schoolhouses and incidentals?

No action taken as general school appropriations covers repairs and incidentals.

Article 16. Will the town cause a statement of their affairs to be printed in February next?

Voted that a statement be printed at that time.

Article 17. Will the town appropriate a sum of money to be expended in the cemetery on Washington street?

Voted to appropriate \$75 to be used in caring for cemetery and grading around receiving tomb.

Article 18. Will the town cause a new valuation to be taken in 1907.

Voted to pass over this article.

Article 19. What price will the town pay for labor on the highways for the ensuing year?

Voted to pay 20 cents per hour for labor and to pay the highway surveyors \$2.50 per day.

Article 20. Will the town raise and appropriate \$167.46 for the suppression of the gypsy and browntail moths?

Voted to appropriate \$175 for this purpose.

Article 21. Will the town appropriate a sum of money for the employment of a school physician?

Voted to appropriate \$165 for this purpose.

Article 22. Will the town authorize the installation of a new heating system at the Town hall and raise or appropriate a sum of money for the same?

Voted to pass over this article.

Article 23. What action will the town take in regard to keeping the sidewalks in repair?

Voted to pass over this article.

Article 24. Will the town change the name of River street to Stetson road.

Voted to pass over this article.

Article 25. Will the town give any instructions to the town officers?

Voted to instruct the highway surveyors to use the waste material from the roads, which is usually given or thrown away, for making sidewalks.

Voted that the tree warden cause some of the trees that need it to be looked after.

Voted that the tree warden set out three rock maples around the common; that the soil be cut away in a circle eight feet in diameter and that he see that proper care be taken of them.

Voted to instruct the treasurer to pay no order drawn by the selectmen or school committee unless it shall clearly appear upon the face of said order the appropriation against which it shall be charged.

Voted to instruct the selectmen to publish a detailed statement showing the financial condition of the town, giving totals of liabilities and assets and balance for or against the town; to instruct the auditor to examine financial statement, and to certify, so far as possible, to the correctness thereof.

Voted to instruct the selectmen to prepare annually an estimate of expenditures and receipts for the ensuing year and that the same be incorporated in the town report, and that they make in connection therewith such recommendations as seem proper.

Article 26. Will the town raise and appropriate the sum of \$100 to be expended in caring for the sidewalks and grounds around the Soldiers' monument, the care of Gaffield

park and the several triangles and grass plots in different parts of the town?

Voted to appropriate \$100 for this purpose and that this amount be properly spent.

Article 27. To choose all other officers and committees not already chosen.

Voted that the constables act as field drivers.

Voted that the selectmen act as fence viewers.

Cemetery committee George W. Curtis, Joseph H. Curtis, Alpheus Thomas.

Article 28. Will the town raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,000 to pay the town note due March 15, 1907?

Voted to appropriate \$1000 to pay above note.

Article 29. To fix the number of officers to be elected at the annual meeting in March 1908.

Voted that the number and terms of the town officers to be elected at that meeting be the same as this year, viz., a town clerk, three selectmen, three assessors, three overseers of the poor, a treasurer, a collector of taxes, an auditor, three highway surveyors, five constables and a tree warden, all for one year. One member of the board of health and one member of the school committee for three years.

Article 30. Or act or do anything relative to the above

Voted to appropriate the following sums:

Abatement of taxes \$100.

Discount on taxes \$200.

Interest on town notes \$375.

Stone crusher \$250 less amount of street railway tax.

Town officers \$1,300.

Town hall account \$50.

Tree warden \$50.

Voted to raise by taxation \$14,000.

Voted that this amount be assessed on the polls and estates of residents and the estates of non-residents.

Voted that the secretary of the school committee receive \$50, the other members not over \$25 each.

Voted that the town treasurer be paid \$150.

Voted that the moderator be paid \$5 for services this day.

The two fish rights were sold at auction; the first being purchased by Ezra E. Stetson for \$3.50, the second by L. F. Hammond for \$4.

Voted that the meeting be dissolved.

JOSEPH F. MERRITT,
Town Clerk.

STATE ELECTION

Pursuant to a warrant duly executed the qualified voters of the town of Norwell met at the Town hall, Tuesday, November 5, 1907. Alpheus Thomas of the Board of Selectmen was the presiding officer. Ezra E. Stetson, John Whalen, Charles Scully and L. Frank Hammond being appointed election officers and ballot clerks were duly sworn as such by the town clerk. The polls were opened at 6 A. M. and and closed at 12 M. One hundred and twenty-two names were checked on the voting list and the same number of ballots were cast. On being canvassed and counted in open meeting they were found to be for the following persons :

GOVERNOR

Charles W. Bartlett, Anti-Merger	10
Thomas F. Brennan, Socialist Labor	0
John W. Brown, Socialist	1
Hervey S. Cowell, Prohibition	1

Curtis Guild, Jr., Republican	91
Thomas L. Hisgen, Independence League	2
Henry M. Whitney, Democratic	12
Henry M. Whitney, Independent Citizens'	3
Henry M. Whitney, Democratic Citizens' Nom. Paper	1
Blanks	1

LIEUTENANT-GOVERNOR

G. Gerry Brown, Independent League	6
John T. Cahill, Anti-Merger	2
Eben S. Draper, Republican	90
Walter J. Hoar, Socialist Labor	0
Robert Lawrence, Socialist	1
Jonathan S. Lewis, Prohibition	2
George A. Schofield, Democratic Citizens' Nom. Paper, Democratic	20
Blanks	1

SECRETARY

Solon W. Bingham, Prohibition	1
Odilon Z. E. Charest, Democratic Citizens' Nom. Paper, Democratic	12
John Hall, Jr., Socialist	3
William M. Olin, Republican	98
Arthur E. Reimer, Socialist Labor	0
Dennis J. Ring, Independence League	2
Blanks	6

TREASURER

Albert Barnes, Socialist Labor	0
Edward J. Cantwell, Independence League	1
Arthur B. Chapin, Republican	94
William P. Connery, Anti-Merger	1

Daniel F. Doherty, Democratic Citizens' Nom. Paper,	
Democratic	15.
Charles C. Hitchcock, Socialist	1
Edward Kendall, Prohibition	1
Blanks	9

AUDITOR

Joao Claudino, Socialist Labor	0
Joseph A. Conry, Democratic Citizens' Nom. Paper,	
Democratic	14
Thomas E. Finnerty, Independence League	2
George G. Hall, Socialist	1
James F. Pease, Prohibition	2
Henry E. Turner, Republican	93
Blanks	10

ATTORNEY-GENERAL

Allen Coffin, Prohibition	3
Dana Malone, Republican	92
John McCarty, Socialist	2
James E. McConnell, Democratic	14
William N. Osgood, Independence League	1
Harvey H. Pratt, Anti-Merger	4
Gilbert G. Smith, Socialist Labor	0.
Blanks	6

COUNCILLOR—(FIRST DISTRICT)

George J. Alcott, Socialist	2
Charles O. Brightman, Republican	95
Edmund H. Cushing, Prohibition	4
Blanks	21

SENATOR—(FIRST PLYMOUTH DISTRICT)

Orin L. Griswold, Prohibition	3
Benjamin F. Peterson, Democratic	17
Frank G. Wheatley, Republican	96
Blanks	6

REPRESENTATIVE IN GENERAL COURT
(SECOND PLYMOUTH DISTRICT)

Henry E. Damon, Democratic,	20
Joseph J. Shepherd, Republican	98
Blanks	4

COUNTY COMMISSIONER—(PLYMOUTH)

Edward P. Boynton, Democratic	35
Thomas H. Dunn, Socialist	1
Walter H. Faunce, Republican	77
Madison W. Morey, Prohibition	2
Blanks	7

ASSOCIATE COMMISSIONERS—(PLYMOUTH)

Francis Chamberlin, Prohibition	3
George B. Cushman, Socialist	2
Henry A. Harlow, Democratic	13
Israel H. Hatch, Prohibition	5
Martin Howland, Democratic	10
Joseph R. Smith, Socialist	0
Albert T. Sprague, Republican	84
Ezekiel R. Studley, Republican	65
Blanks	62

DISTRICT ATTORNEY—(SOUTHEASTERN DISTRICT)

Thomas E. Grover, Democratic Republican	99
Blanks	23

SHERIFF—(PLYMOUTH COUNTY)

Francis J. Burke, Socialist	3
Edward G. Knight, Prohibition	1
Henry S. Porter, Republican	95
William E. Supple, Democratic	17
Blanks	6

REGISTER OF PROBATE AND INSOLVENCY
(PLYMOUTH COUNTY, TO FILL VACANCY)

Sumner A. Chapman, Prohibition, Republican	95
Oliver Cushman, Democratic	18
Blanks	9

Shall the proposed amendment to the constitution authorizing the governor, with the consent of the council, to remove justices of the peace and notaries public be approved and ratified?

Yes	57
No	15
Blanks	50

TOWN CLERKS' CONVENTION

At a meeting of the town clerks of the towns comprising the Second Plymouth Representative district, held at

Marshfield, November 14, 1907, the vote for representative throughout the district was found to be as follows :

	Total	Damon	Shepherd	Blanks
Duxbury	198	41	133	24
Marshfield	152	13	122	17
Pembroke	110	19	79	12
Norwell	122	20	98	4
Scituate	235	66	144	25

Whole number of ballots	817
Henry E. Damon, Democratic	159
Joseph J. Shepherd, Republican	576
Blanks	82

Joseph J. Shepherd having a plurality of the votes cast was declared elected and his certificate made out in accordance therewith.

George H. Stearns	Town Clerk of Duxbury
George H. Wetherbee	Town Clerk of Marshfield
Leonard G. Ewell	Town Clerk of Pembroke
Joseph F. Merritt	Town Clerk of Norwell
Jetson Wade	Town Clerk of Scituate

SPECIAL TOWN MEETING, DECEMBER 14

Article 1. To choose a moderator.
Choose Alpheus Thomas moderator.

Article 2. Will the town appropriate the sum of \$600 to pay for repairs on River street or take any action in regard to the same ?

Voted to appropriate \$600 for repairs on River street.

Article 3. Will the town appropriate a sum of money for the suppression of gypsy and browntail moths?

Voted to appropriate \$349.23 for this purpose.

Article 4. Will the town vote to elect the selectmen and overseers of the poor for terms of one, two and three years.

Voted that at the annual meeting in March 1908 the town elect one selectman and overseer of the poor for three years, one for two years, and one for one year.

Voted to rescind so much of the vote taken March 4, 1907, as relates to terms of selectmen, assessors and overseers of the poor to be chosen in March 1908.

Article 5. Will the town rescind the vote passed at its annual town meeting in March 1907, whereby it was voted that the number of highway surveyors for 1908 be fixed at three?

Voted to pass over this article.

Article 6. Will the town accept the provisions of Section 81, Chapter 25 of the Revised Laws, and choose one highway surveyor in 1908?

Voted to pass over this article.

Article 7. Will the town give any instructions to town officers?

Voted that the treasurer be authorized to anticipate payment of note due in March 1908, if he considers that the funds in his possession will warrant his doing so.

Article 8. Or act or do anything relative to the above?

No action taken on this article.

Voted this the meeting be dissolved.

JOSEPH F. MERRITT
Town Clerk.

ENROLLED MILITIA

There were 244 men enrolled for military duty May 1, 1907.

REGISTERED VOTERS

At the close of registration October 26, 1907, there were 350 male and three female voters on the list.

DOGS LICENSED

Dog licenses issued during the year ending Dec. 1, 1907 :

146 male dogs at \$2.00	\$292 00	
24 female dogs at \$5.00	120 00	
1 special breeders' at \$25.00	25 00	
	<hr/>	
		\$437 00
Less clerks' fees 171 licenses at 20c		34 20
		<hr/>
Amount turned over to county treasurer		\$402 80

MARRIAGES RECORDED IN NORWELL DURING
THE YEAR 1907

- March 2 At Providence, R. I., Herbert Francis Young of Norwell and Sabina Agatha Houghton of Marshfield, by Rev. Elliot F. Studley.
- April 17 At Pawtucket, R. I., John Henry Sparrell and Nellie Norton Litchfield, both of Norwell, by Rev. S. A. Ross.
- May 29 At Hanover, Arthur Lendell Pratt of Norwell and Josephine Hamilton of North Scituate, by Rev. E. E. Ventress.
- June 4 At Norwell, Albert Claude Hobart of Bayonne, N. J., and Florence Herbert Shurtleffe of Norwell, by Rev. Melvin S. Nash.
- June 22 At Norwell, Arthur Henry Churchill of Duxbury and Millie Gertrude Chamberlin of Norwell, by Rev. Joseph Dinzey.
- July 28 At Cohasset, Howard Cushing Torrey of Norwell and Fannie Baldwin Southworth of Boston, by Rev. Cecil Harper.
- August 12 At South Paris, Maine, Leon Samuel Fairbanks of Norwell and Lucilia Evangeline Crockett of South Paris, Maine, by Rev. J. Wallace Chesbro.
- November 4 At Providence, R. I., Charles Weston Harris of Norwell and Nora Mary Blanchard of Scituate, by W. B. Tanner, Justice Superior Court.
- November 18 At Cohasset, George Monahan and Rosie Cannon, both of Norwell, by Rev. Patrick H. Riley.
- December 24 At Scituate, Elwood Francis Ainslie of Norwell and Grace Maud Jenkins of Scituate, by Rev. Hartwell J. Bartlett.

December 31 At Norwell, Willard Gilbert Evans and Mabel Viola Ainslie, both of Norwell, by Rev. Chester Arthur Drummond.

December 31 At Hanover, Harold Ashton Bates of Rockland and Mary Eliza Tolman of Norwell, by Rev. Amasa C. Fay.

BIRTHS REGISTERED IN NORWELL DURING THE YEAR 1907.

DATE OF BIRTH	NAME OF CHILD	NAMES OF PARENTS	MAIDEN NAME OF MOTHER
January 25	Arelene Athlon Smith.....	Charles Henry and Josephine J.....	Barden
February 12	Samuel Salmon Sylvester.....	Albert S. and Amy Winifred.....	Dinzey
13	Stillborn.....	John Freemont and Emily Drew.....	Delano
March 4	Helen Elizabeth Osborne.....	William W. and Lottie.....	DeCoast
27	William Joseph Monahan.....	Ernest Henry and Ella.....	Harris
April 6	Atton Russell Stoddard.....	Harry P. and Edna.....	Clapp
11	Lloyd Burton Henderson.....	Harry P. and Edna.....	Clapp
11	Lois Estelle Henderson.....	Clarence E. and Alice M.....	Bushen
15	Elwin Andrew Barnard.....	E. Clifford and Bernice M.....	Ainslie
7	Edgar Fordyce Bates.....	Henry and Plooma Geneva.....	Curtis
12	Harry Vernon McHugh.....	Arnold V. and Carrie.....	Turner
6	George Arnold Beach.....	Robert S. and Margaret Louise.....	Slater
June 2	Robert Stewart Brown, Jr.....	Irving and Ella Day.....	Day
5	Dorris Nellie Gram.....	Perley R. F. and Harriet L.....	Buck
12	Corice Mae Bradbury.....	Herbert O. and Helen.....	Adams
14	Paul Vernon Collins.....	Henry and Martha Anne.....	Wentworth
August 1	Howell.....	Antonio and Mary Louise.....	Gibeau
8	Irving Edmund St. Pierre.....	Harold and Effie.....	Caige
10	Annie Irene Osborne.....	George S. and Delia Agnes.....	Munnis
12	Mary Morton.....	Breton and Addie E.....	Morrissey
14	Laura Berlada Griffin.....	William E. and Catherine.....	Burbank
15	Alice Elizabeth Sexton.....	Howard I. and Fanny G.....	Bates
19	Illegitimate.....	William C. and Georgiana.....	
September 30	Dorothy Beatrice Bray.....		
October 6	William Garfield Hammond.....		
25	Stillborn.....		

27	Bertha Louise Lincoln.....	I. Austin and Mabel.....	Pinkham
31	Florence Berkline Winslow.....	Edward and Eveline.....	Cromwell
November	Lois Jewett Capell.....	Fred and Olive.....	Jewett
22	Stillborn.....	John H. and Nellie N.....	Litchfield
25	Lucy Alathia Sparrell.....	Patrick and Ella.....	Pratt
December	Herman Franklin White.....	Bert Irving and Hattie.....	Whitcomb
11	Carlton Irving Richardson.....		
12			

The Town Clerk is prepared to furnish blanks for the returns required of physicians and parents, and all persons interested are requested to notify him of any errors or omissions in the list of births as printed, that they may be corrected and the records completed.

DEATHS REGISTERED IN NORWELL DURING THE YEAR 1907.

DATE	NAME	AGE			CAUSE OF DEATH	BIRTHPLACE	PLACE OF DEATH
		Y	M	D			
Jan 12	Henrietta Curtis (Sylvester) ..	60	8	..	Cerebral softening, cerebral thrombus	Scituate	Norwell
15	Mary Agnes Gardner.....	22	..	..	Pulmonary tuberculosis	South Scituate	Taunton
28	George L. Gardner.....	52	8	..	Heart disease	Hanover	Norwell
28	Elbridge G. Gardner.....	84	8	..	Valvular disease of heart	Hingham	Norwell
Feb. 7	George H. Bates.....	69	6	..	Obstruction of bowels	Scituate	Norwell
11	Helen L. Tolman (French)....	87	9	..	Senile gangrene, pneumonia	Hingham	Norwell
22	Mary C. Wood (Ellms).....	90	7	..	Softening of brain, bronchitis	Scituate	Norwell
March 2	Charles David.....	72	..	19	Paralysis, nephritis	New York	Norwell
11	Albert T. Winslow.....	68	..	..	Prostatic disease, chronic nephritis..	Scituate	Norwell
13	Joshua B. Reed.....	88	8	13	Heart disease	N. Hampshire	Norwell
14	Willard Torrey.....	73	5	19	Arterio sclerosis, heart failure	Scituate	Newton
17	Hannah Dover (Spellman)....	84	11	16	Bronchitis, old age.....	Ireland	Norwell
21	James W. Smith.....	82	1	4	Lobar pneumonia	England	Norwell
26	Warren Fuller.....	71	5	17	Carcinoma of stomach	Watertown	Norwell
April 8	Nancy S. Nichols (Sherman) ..	70	9	..	Organic heart disease	Marshfield	Norwell
14	Ellen Pratt (Edwards).....	62	9	17	Senile dementia, bronchitis	Quincy	Norwell
23	Mary A. Studley (Stoddard) ..	69	5	2	Cerebritis, la grippe	Marshfield	Norwell
23	Benjamin W. Prouty	78	9	..	Arterio sclerosis, heart disease	Scituate	Norwell
24	John A. Sawyer.....	77	5	18	Softening of brain	N. Hampshire	Norwell
30	Rosella Joseph.....	89	1	12	Pneumonia	Azores	Norwell
June 5	Marion S. Farrar.....	12	9	2	Measles, acute bronchitis	Brookfield	Norwell
18	Ensign B. Damon.....	77	6	16	Cerebral hemorrhage, apoplexy	Scituate	Norwell
July 29	J. Frank Rhoades.....	70	10	9	Diabetes, coma and hemiplegia	New York	Norwell
29	Phoebe L. Turner (Humphrey) ..	89	9	25	Old age, nephritis	{ N. Yarmouth Maine	Norwell
Sept. 20	Ida Marie Soderberg.....	..	4	20	Broncho-pneumonia	East Walpole	Norwell
Oct. 17	Alfred L. Farrar.....	61	7	17	Pericarditis	Scituate	Norwell

Nov.	25	Stillborn	91	10	6	Senile dementia	Boston	Norwell
	2	Sarah Spear Rideout (Veazie)	24	8		Valvular disease of heart, convulsions	Cohasset	Norwell
	17	Alfred L. Ainslie						
Dec.	22	Stillborn	83	1	7	Old age, apoplexy	Hanover	Norwell
	8	Harriet C. Wilder (Chapman)	70	..	..	Acute enteritis, senile dementia	Scituate	Taunton
	9	Alvin D. Vinal .....	..	5	18	Pneumonia, influenza	Norwell	Norwell
	20	Robert Stewart Brown, Jr.						

Number of marriages, 12.

Number of births, 33.

Number of deaths, 32.

Respectfully submitted,

JOSEPH F. MERRITT, Town Clerk.

Tax Collector's Report

Andrew J. Litchfield on account with the town of Norwell:

DR.

To outstanding taxes of 1906	\$4,895 17
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CR.

By cash paid treasurer	\$3,700 48
By F. Torrey tax	602 00
By cash deposited with treasurer to relieve bondsmen	595 69
	<hr/>
	\$4,898 17

DR.

To assessment of 1907	\$14,648 95
To excise tax of 1907	282 80
To interest collected on taxes	114 22
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	\$15,045 97

CR.

By cash paid treasurer	\$10,821 71
By excise tax paid treasurer	282 80

By interest on taxes paid treasurer	\$114 22
By discount on taxes	166 81
By taxes outstanding	3,660 43
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	\$15,045 97

Respectfully submitted,

ANDREW J. LITCHFIELD
Collector.

1906 Taxes, Outstanding July 1907

C. A. Bates	\$27 40
C. H. Bates	2 00
John T. Hatch	4 50
Harry J. Litchfield	2 00
G. W. H. Litchfield, assignee	6 00
W. Lincoln Heirs	34 30
L. Lincoln Heirs	5 00
Allen P. Merritt	2 00
Fred Mason	2 00
L. N. Osborne	4 50
Harry G. Pinson	7 60
Edwin Reeves	2 00
Hosea L. Stetson	3 50
T. J. Studley	4 00
William Studley, devisee	42 50

C. W. Tilden	\$6 45
Dora L. Wilder	21 90
D. Oscar Wagner	4 50
T. H. Walters	35 80
Percival G. Brown	70
Archius Hatch	80
Arthur Merritt	6 00
Charles H. Northey	1 30
George E. Reed	8 00
Walter S. Torrey Heirs	1 00
Freeman Vinal	1 60
Hatherly Ainslie	2 50
Mary H. Ainslie	10 80
Charles H. Baker	3 30
Edwin L. Berry	2 00
Stacy Benson	2 00
W. G. Collamore	2 00
John R. Collamore	8 20
Albion Damon	12 20
Frank E. Damon	2 00
Edwin A. Damon	2 70
James E. Cobbett	2 00
W. H. Farrar	11 20
Joshua Freeman	17 30
Brenton H. Griffin	2 00
W. P. Fessenden	2 00
John Gunderway	2 80
Charles F. Hammond	2 00
John H. Haward	2 00
Frank R. Kenyon	2 00
Oscar W. Lambert	3 00
Patrick McNiccol	19 30
Charles F. Marble	2 00
James L. Prouty	12 00
Carleton W. Pinson	2 70
Arthur J. Parr	3 10

Bessie E. Parr	\$9 50
Gardner L. Prescott	2 40
Frank S. Staples	3 20
Jotham Salisbury	2 00
Gustavus Totman	2 50
Joseph F. Totman	2 00
Patrick L. White	2 00
Rufus Winslow	3 30
Louis B. Whiting	2 00
Samuel Ward	3 20
Edward E. Brewster	2 00
Bates & Lincoln	1 50
Alexander Blaisdell	1 80
John F. Caswell	2 00
Davis Cushing	50
C. S. Emerson	50
Gustavus Farrar Est.	6 00
Stephen O. Jacobs Est.	1 00
Enoch Johnson	4 80
Arthur Loring	1 40
Almira Lane	12 80
Levi Lincoln	6 10
Francis Merritt	60
Mary L. Skinner	3 60
Perez Simmons Est.	14 40
Fred W. Spicer	40
Mrs. Henry Wright Heirs	1 00
Jas. A. Appleford	2 00
Elizabeth E. Adams	50
W. B. Brooks Heirs	1 50
Lorenzo F. Cromwell	2 00
Wm. H. Carr	48 20
Geo. Chamberlain	2 00
Mrs. John Daggan Heirs	5 00
Alphonso Fortis	2 00
Henry T. Gunderway	1 00

Arthur F. Henderson	16 36
Edgar E. Lee	2 00
C. B. Macomber	25 88
James H. Patterson Heirs	7 70
Jas. W. Smith	3 50
Chas. H. Smith	2 00
A. C. Sylvester	2 50
C. W. Smith	2 00
Franklin Torrey	602 00
Jesse M. Winslow	2 00
Louis Biludenu	50
Sophia Turner	10
J. P. Merrill	4 00

\$1,197 69

Report of Overseers of the Poor.

ALMSHOUSE ACCOUNT.

EXPENSES.

Articles on hand Jan. 1, 1907	\$297 25
Charles E. Curtis	293 00
Samuel Olson, fish	48 25
William W. Cutler, meats	38 27
Corthell Bros., meats	58 65
George F. Welch, coal and supplies	118 12
Curtis & Bates, groceries	138 62
H. S. Turner & Co., groceries	145 16
A. J. Litchfield & Son, groceries	218 08
W. H. Spencer, pump and repairs	63 87
C. W. Tilden. blacksmithing	7 87
Seth Foster, hay	21 30
Hannah Randall, labor	3 15
Turner Bros., seeds	2 15
A. F. Lapham, shotes	10 00
Harry S. Merritt, stock and labor	19 50
John P. Henderson, wood	24 50
Levi N. Osborne, stock and labor	6 50
Sparrell Bros., ice	11 10
George H. Turner, fertilizer	8 75
Harry G. Pinson, plowing	3 00
H. T. Fogg, insurance	38 40
H. J. Little, M. D., attendance	21 50
Articles bought for cash	9 32
	<hr/> \$1,606 31

ALMSHOUSE RECEIPTS.

Received from sale of milk and vegetables	\$115 92	
Received for board of horse	80 80	
Due from Scituate, board of Edgar Fernald	156 00	
Due from Scituate, board of Benjamin Mann	9 00	
Due from sale of milk	15 42	
Due from sale of 1-2 hog	12 80	
Articles on hand Jan. 1, 1908	398 50	
	<hr/>	\$788 44
Net cost of almshouse		\$817 87
Cost of each inmate per week	\$2 46	

ARTICLES ON HAND JAN. 1, 1908

Horse	\$40 00	
Fowl	40 00	
Two cows	70 00	
Manure	40 00	
Hog	40 00	
Potatoes	26 00	
Mangles	5 00	
Carrots	5 00	
Wood	54 00	
Groceries	6 00	
Coal	56 00	
Pork	12 00	
Grain	4 50	
	<hr/>	\$398 50

OUT DOOR POOR.

Alvin D. Vinal and Family.

C. W. Stodder, M. D.	\$145 50	
Cash	15 00	
C. W. and E. H. Sparrell, burial	47 50	
H. J. Little, M. D.	1 50	
	<hr/>	\$209 50

Annie L. Winslow.

A. L. MacMillan, M. D.	\$17 50
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Eben Leavitt.

H. S. Turner & Co., supplies	\$24 90
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Sarah A. Studley.

Cash	\$24 00	
H. J. Little, M. D.	18 25	
	<hr/>	\$42 25

James H. Costello and Family.

F. E. Henderson, wood	\$8 00	
F. E. Stetson & Son, supplies	68 60	
Town of Hanover, medical aid	66 25	
Phillips, Bates & Co., coal	8 00	
	<hr/>	\$150 85

John A. Sawyer.

John H. Knapp, nursing	\$99 00	
H. J. Little, M. D.	7 50	
	<hr/>	\$76 50

Benjamin Briggs and Family.

George F. Welch coal	\$3 75	
A. J. Litchfield & Son, supplies	99 50	
H. T. Fogg, Insurance	1 30	
South Scituate Savings Bank interest on Mortgage	9 00	
	<hr/>	\$113 55

Mary A. Gardner.

John S. Brooks, supplies	\$52 00	
H. J. Little, M. D.	28 00	
	<hr/>	\$80 00

Mrs. Evelyn M. Loring

Mrs. G. L. Gardner, nursing	\$26 25	
Linscott & Bryant, supplies	25 22	
	<hr/>	\$51 47

Mrs. Wallace Chappell

H. E. Fernald, M. D.	7 00
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Alonzo C. Sylvester and Family

H. S. Turner & Co., supplies	\$4 00	
E. E. Stetson & Son, supplies	1 62	
Curtis & Bates, supplies	7 00	
	<hr/>	\$12 62

Lorenzo Cromwell and family.

H. J. Little, M. D.	\$13 50
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Edward Winslow and family.

H. J. Little, M. D.	\$70 00
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Emery Winslow.

Mrs. James Smith, board	\$3 50	
James Smith, nursing	13 00	
E. E. Stetson & Son, supplies	1 46	
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		\$17 96

E. E. Gunderway.

A. J. Litchfield & Son, supplies	\$53 00
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Arthur Garfield Lincoln.

Town of Rockland, aid	\$3 75
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AID TO PERSONS HAVING SETTLEMENT IN
OTHER TOWNS.

Josiah W. Chamberlain, Holbrook.

A. L. MacMillan, M. D.	\$77 00
Phillips, Bates & Co., coal	29 99
M. Little, supplies	104 00
Mrs. Israel Hatch, board of nurse	5 00

Mrs. Lizzie Williamson, nursing	\$18 00	
H. J. Little, M. D.	31 00	
F. E. Henderson, wood	6 00	
	<hr/>	\$270 99

John Prince, Rockland.

A. L. MacMillan, M. D.	\$7 50
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Charles E. McPherson, Canton.

A. J. Litchfield & Son, supplies	\$159 00	
H. J. Little, M. D.	2 00	
	<hr/>	\$161 00

Fred Wheelwright, Cohasset.

Mass. Homœopathic Hospital	\$42 75	
H. J. Little, M. D.	5 00	
	<hr/>	\$47 75

Josephine Keene, Pembroke.

H. J. Little, M. D.	\$27 00
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Benjamin Stetson, Scituate.

H. J. Little, M. D.	\$5 00
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SUMMARY OF POOR ACCOUNT

Total amount paid for out door poor	\$1,463 59	
Net cost of almshouse	817 87	
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		\$2,281 46
Due from other towns		519 24
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Net cost of poor		\$1,772 22
Appropriation	\$2,000 00	
Balance	227 78	

ALPHEUS THOMAS,
 EZRA E. STESTON,
 ERNEST H. SPARRELL,
 Overseers of the Poor.

Town Officers

Joseph F. Merritt, services town clerk	\$67 80
Joseph F. Merritt, registrar of voters and recording	25 00
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	\$92 80
Horace T. Fogg, treasurer	150 00
Mary E. Curtis, school committee	50 00
Benjamin Loring, school committee	25 00
George C. Turner, school committee	25 00
Alpheus Thomas, selectman, assessor and overseer of poor	188 00
Ezra E. Stetson, selectman, assessor and overseer of poor	152 61
Ernest H. Sparrell, selectman, assessor and overseer of poor	148 00
Andrew J. Litchfield, collector	225 00
Andrew J. Litchfield, postage and stationery	14 16
Walter T. Osborne, constable	59 30
L. Frank Hammond, constable	30 00
J. Warren Foster, constable	8 00
J. Warren Foster, inspector of animals	34 50
Wm. H. Appleford, registrar of voters	15 00
Edward M. Sexton, registrar of voters	15 00
John H. Prouty, registrar voters	15 00

Election Officers, Charles Scully	6 00	
L. Frank Hammond	6 00	
John Whalen	6 00	
Edward W. Gardner	3 00	
Clifton S. Deane	3 00	
Frank W. Jones, auditor	20 00	
Alpheus Damon, Inspector of provisions	26 00	
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		\$1,317 37
Appropriation	\$1,300 00	
Due from state—Inspection of animals	17 25	
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		\$1,317 25
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Exceeded		\$ 12

State Aid Paid in 1907

Peter Ainslie	\$60 00
Charles D. Barnard	72 00
David Bassford	72 00
Amanda Bassford	48 00
Amanda Coleman	48 00
Abbie F. Coleman	24 00
Timothy B. Chapman	60 00
Josiah W. Chamberlin	72 00
Martha W. Curtis	40 00
Maria B. Damon	48 00
Ensign B. Damon	36 00
Lucy Damon	40 00
Hannah Dover	2 00
Frank Dyer	48 00
Charles David	12 00
Daniel R. Ewell	72 00
Warren Fuller	18 00
Hannah Fuller	12 00
Seth O. Fitts	20 00
Mathias French	72 00
Sarah Hatch	48 00
George A. Hatch	60 00
John H. Howard	48 00
Lebbeus Leach	72 00
Charles M. Leavitt	48 00
William H. Morse	48 00

William O. Merritt	60 00
Diana Pierce	48 00
Benjamin B. Poole	48 00
Benjamin W. Prouty	16 00
Rebecca H. Totman	48 00
William H. Rand	36 00
David P. Robinson	36 00
Harriet Raymond	48 00
William E. Stone	72 00
Mary Shepherd	48 00
Edwin Studley	72 00
Albert T. Smith	16 00
John F. Totman	72 00
George O. Torrey	72 00
Susan A. Tolman	48 00
James H. Williams	72 00
Albert Winslow	18 00
John S. Whitney	72 00
Esther M. Young	48 00

\$2,150 00

Approved by and due from the state.

Soldiers' Relief

Albert Winslow.

Mrs. George Lee, board	\$16 00	
C. W. & E. H. Sparrell	35 00	
H. J. Little, M. D.	3 00	
	<hr/>	\$54 00

David Bassford and Wife.

C. L. Howes, M. D.	\$348 50
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Charles David.

C. W. & E. H. Sparrell, burial	\$35 00
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Albion Snowdale.

M. Little, supplies	\$5 00	
Aid	23 00	
Phillips, Bates & Co., coal	7 75	
C. L. Howes, M. D.	23 50	
	<hr/>	\$59 25

G. O. Torrey.

Aid

\$20 00

Benjamin Lee.

Town of Hanover, medical attendance

\$2 60

\$519 35

Snow Account

WEST WARD.

Walter Simmons	\$53 81
Joseph Briggs	50 76
William H. Farrar	1 75
A. J. Parr	1 75
William G. Collamore	1 75
Keene Bros.	2 80
Alpheus Thomas	12 67
Timothy Sheehan	14 75
Joseph Sharks	2 50
Alonzo Stoddard	1 37
Charles H. Baker	2 12
Benjamin Loring	26 25
D. Fred Bates	9 00
Patrick Gammons	1 75
Albion Damon	1 12
Alden Damon	1 12
Wallace H. Damon	1 75
Charles E. Brewster	25 75
Otto D. Burhoff	1 26
Charles H. Wilder	5 10
Henry L. Bates	1 25
Carlton Pinson	2 87
George A. Turner, snow plough	14 75

\$237 99

EAST WARD.

E. P. Joseph	\$40 00
Richardson Bros.	17 50
Albert Merritt	75
Richmond Litchfield	1 75
Carl Litchfield	1 75
Herbert Litchfield	1 75
Caleb Litchfield	1 75
Harry Brown	1 75
Edward Bates	2 25
Claude G. Ainslie	1 50
Carlton O. Litchfield	9 00
Fred W. Wheelwright	2 25
Davis Landry	75
Lyman Lincoln	2 37
Frank Burns	2 00
Charles H. Bates	1 00
Ernest L. Henderson	2 00
John E. Leslie	2 00
John Wilder	1 75
Jesse Reed	2 00
John Whalen	4 00
Alexander Black	1 80
Joseph W. Hatch	2 25

 \$103 92

SOUTH WARD.

F. E. Henderson	\$47 25
E. A. Jacobs	63 50
James Smith	2 00
Clarence Winslow	1 13

Jesse Winslow	\$1 13
James Winslow	50
Richard Winslow	2 00
Robert Smith	2 00
James Smith	2 00
William Latour	2 00
James Studley	1 00
Clifton Deane	56
Edgar Lee	2 25
George Lee	2 25
Joseph Collins	2 25
George Gerrish	4 25
Frank Studley	4 25
Edwin Torrey	2 25
William Magoun	4 25
Fred Cromwell	2 25
Frank Dyer	25
Edward Lehan	2 25
Alexander Black	4 25
Albert Osborn	4 25
Whitman Soule	2 25
Meddie Roberts	2 25
Frank Hammond	8 00
Harry Merritt	1 50
Lewis Merritt	75
Ernest Merritt	1 50
Jerome Wadsworth	1 25
Malcolm Howland	75
Lester Nash	1 00
John Napp	1 00
Charles E. Simmons	1 00
Theophilus Appleford	4 38
John Appleford	2 76
Everett Winslow	1 50

Walter C. Barnard

\$1 50\$191 46

Total

\$533 37

Appropriation

\$250 00

Street Railway excise tax

282 80\$532 80

Exceeded

\$ 57

Report of Trustees

THIRTIETH ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

TRUSTEES OF THE COFFIN POOR FUND.

Amount of fund \$2,000 00

Loaned on town note at 4 per cent.

In Savings Bank Jan. 1, 1907	\$79 66
Cash on hand Jan. 1, 1907	81 16
Interest on bank book	1 58
Interest on note	80 00

\$242 40

Paid worthy poor	\$136 00
Cash on hand Jan. 1, 1908	25 16
In bank Jan. 1, 1908	76 24
Paid care cemetery lot	5 00

\$242 40

TWENTY-SECOND ANNUAL REPORT
 OF THE
 TRUSTEES OF THE ABIGAIL T. OTIS
 CEMETERY AND TOMB FUNDS.

Amount of funds	\$1,500 00	
Interest on deposit Jan. 1, 1907	305 03	
Interest to Jan. 1, 1908	34 92	
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		\$1,839 95
Paid for pump and cemetery repairs	57 78	
Care of lots and flowers	30 00	
Interest on deposit Jan. 1, 1908	252 17	
Amount of funds	1,500 00	
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		\$1,839 95

TWENTY-SECOND ANNUAL REPORT
 OF THE
 TRUSTEES OF THE A. T. OTIS POOR FUND.

Loaned on town note	\$1,300 00	
In Savings Bank	700 00	
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Amount of fund		\$2,000 00
On hand Jan. 1, 1907	\$148 51	
Interest on bank book	16 10	
Interest on town note	52 00	
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		\$216 61

Paid worthy poor	\$60 00	
In bank Jan. 1, 1908	96 35	
Cash on hand	60 26	
	<hr/>	\$216 61

NINETEENTH ANNUAL REPORT
OF THE
TRUSTEES OF THE JOSSELYN CEMETERY FUND.

Amount of fund	\$200 00	
Interest on deposit Jan. 1, 1907	51 62	
Interest to Jan. 1, 1908	4 88	
	<hr/>	\$256 50
Interest on deposit Jan. 1, 1908	\$41 00	
Paid for care and repairs of lot	15 50	
Amount of fund	200 00	
	<hr/>	\$256 50

SIXTEENTH ANNUAL REPORT
OF THE
TRUSTEES OF THE SAMUEL C. CUDWORTH
CEMETERY FUND.

Amount of fund	\$200 00	
Interest on deposit Jan. 2, 1907	37 64	
Interest on bank book	4 74	
	<hr/>	\$242 38

Paid for care of lot	\$4 00	
Interest in bank	38 38	
Amount of fund	<u>200 00</u>	
		\$242 38

TWELFTH ANNUAL REPORT
OF THE
TRUSTEES OF THE PRUDENCE C. DELANO
CEMETERY FUND.

Amount of fund	\$300 00	
Interest on deposit Jan. 1, 1907	100 49	
Interest to Jan. 1, 1908	<u>7 94</u>	
		\$408 43
Paid care and repairs of tomb	\$18 10	
Interest on deposit Jan. 1, 1908	90 33	
Amount of fund	<u>300 00</u>	
		\$408 43

TENTH ANNUAL REPORT
OF THE
TRUSTEES OF THE NANCY C. HERSEY
CEMETERY FUND.

Amount of fund	\$100 00
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Interest on deposit Jan. 1, 1907	18 77	
Interest to Jan. 1, 1908	2 36	
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Paid for care of lot	\$4 00	
Interest on deposit	17 13	
Amount of fund	100 00	
	<hr/>	\$121 13.

EIGHTH ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

TRUSTEES OF THE BETSEY TOLMAN

CEMETERY FUND.

Amount of fund	100 00	
Interest on deposit Jan. 1, 1907	1 99	
Interest to Jan. 1, 1908	2 02	
	<hr/>	\$104 01
Paid for care of lot	4 00	
Interest on deposit Jan. 1, 1908	01	
Amount of fund	100 00	
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FIFTH ANNUAL REPORT
OF THE
TRUSTEES OF THE GEORGE P. CLAPP
CEMETERY FUND.

Amount of fund	\$100 00	
Interest on deposit Jan. 1, 1907	5 98	
Interest on bank book	2 10	
	<hr/>	\$108 08
Interest on deposit Jan. 1, 1908	\$ 08	
Paid for care of lot	8 00	
Amount of fund	100 00	
	<hr/>	\$108 08

FOURTH ANNUAL REPORT
OF THE
TRUSTEES OF THE MARY O. ROBBINS
CEMETERY FUND.

Amount of fund	\$200 00	
Interest on deposit Jan. 1, 1907	16 35	
Interest on bank book Jan. 1, 1908	4 32	
	<hr/>	\$220 67
Paid care of lot	\$6 00	
Interest on deposit Jan. 1, 1908	14 67	
Amount of fund	200 00	
	<hr/>	\$220 67

SECOND ANNUAL REPORT
OF THE
TRUSTEES OF THE CHARLES H. MERRITT
CEMETERY FUND.

Amount of fund	\$50 00	
Interest on deposit Jan. 1, 1907	2 39	
Interest on bank book, Jan. 1, 1908	1 04	
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		\$53 43
 Paid for care of lot	 \$2 00	
Interest on deposit Jan. 1, 1908	1 43	
Amount of fund	50 00	
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		\$53 43

SECOND ANNUAL REPORT
OF THE
TRUSTEES OF THE JAMES W. SAMPSON
CEMETERY FUND.

Amount of fund	\$100 00	
Interest on deposit Jan. 1, 1907	3 79	
Interest on bank book Jan. 1, 1908	2 06	
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		\$105 85
 Paid care of lot	 \$3 00	
Interest on deposit Jan. 1, 1908	2 85	
Amount of fund	100 00	
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		\$105 85

FIRST ANNUAL REPORT
OF THE
TRUSTEES OF THE ROBBINS TOMB FUND.

Amount of fund	\$100 00	
Interest on deposit	I 00	
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		\$101 00
In South Scituate Savings Bank	\$101 00	

FIRST ANNUAL REPORT
OF THE
TRUSTEES OF THE DAVIS DAMON
CEMETERY FUND.

Amount of fund	\$100 00	
Interest on deposit	I 00	
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		\$101 00
In South Scituate Savings Banks	\$101 00	

FIRST ANNUAL REPORT
OF THE
TRUSTEES OF THE SUSAN C. DAMON
CEMETERY FUND.

Amount of fund	\$100 00	
Interest on deposit	I 00	
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		\$101 00
In South Scituate Savings Bank	\$101 00	

FIRST ANNUAL REPORT
OF THE
TRUSTEES OF THE GEORGE H. BATES
CEMETERY FUND.

Amount of fund	\$100 00
Deposited in South Scituate Savings Bank	\$100 00

Report of the Town Treasurer

The Town Treasurer submits herewith the report of receipts and expenditures for the year ending December 31, 1907.

RECEIPTS.

From Andrew J. Litchfield, collector of taxes

Real estate taxes, assessment of 1906	\$3,547 33
Personal estate taxes, assessment of 1906	312 84
Poll taxes, assessment of 1906	436 00
Real estate taxes, assessment of 1907	7,844 28
Personal estate taxes, assessment of 1907	2,364 63
Poll taxes, assessment of 1907	521 74
Gypsy moth taxes, assessment of 1907	91 06
Street railway excise tax, 1907	282 80
Interest on overdue taxes	114 22

\$15,514 90

From Arthur B. Chapin, state treasurer

Corporation tax	\$3,111 75
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National bank tax	\$944 63
Street railway tax	178 71

\$4,235 09

From various sources as stated for general purposes

Interest on bank balances	\$41 27
Licenses, fish rights and sundries	36 50
Second district court fines	106 95
Sale of lots in cemetery	58 00
Superintendent of almshouse	101 60

344 32

From various sources as stated for school purposes only

County of Plymouth net proceeds dog tax 1906	\$346 76
Town of Rockland, tuition	76 00
Commonwealth of Massachusetts, Massachusetts school fund, in- come	1,227 50
Tuition of children	218 00
High school tuition	500 00
Superintendent of schools	416 66

2,784 92

Refunded from various sources as
stated for purposes as stated

Town of Holbrook, aid to poor	\$169 25
Town of Canton, aid to poor	156 00
Town of Pembroke, aid to poor	141 66
Town of Scituate, aid to poor	160 00
Town of Plymouth, aid to poor	2 00
Town of Hull, aid to poor	14 00

642 91

Commonwealth of Massachusetts

State aid	\$2,401 00
Inspector of animals	15 75
Adjutant General's department	5 00
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	\$2,421 75

County of Plymouth

River street, county lay-out	400 00
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South Scituate savings bank loans in
anticipation of taxes of 1907

Cash on hand January 18, 1907	3,500 00
	2,976 36
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	\$32,820 25

PAYMENTS.

Highway account, 1906	\$267 25
Highway account, 1907	3,371 30
Union Bridge, 1906	83 67
Union Bridge, 1907	143 61
Public squares	25 00
Removing snow	531 65
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	\$4,422 48

Almshouse account, 1906	27 50
Almshouse account, 1907	1,168 16
Outdoor poor, 1906	176 50
Outdoor poor, 1907	1,461 83
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	2,833 99

State aid, 1906	\$9 00	
State aid, 1907	2,146 00	
Military aid and soldiers' relief	443 75	
Soldiers' burials	70 00	
	<hr/>	\$2,668 75
Support of schools	8,585 37	
State school fund	292 07	
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Town officer account, 1904	25 00	
Town officer account, 1906	69 00	
Town officer account, 1907	1,367 76	
Police officers, Second District Court	71 77	
	<hr/>	1,533 53
Suppression of Gypsy moths	1,255 16	
Tree Warden account	33 50	
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Fire extinguishers		288 94
Incidentals, 1905	7 50	
Incidentals, 1906	91 17	
Incidentals, 1907	492 56	
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Post 112, G. A. R.		100 00

Abatement of taxes	\$181 74
Scituate tax	5 50
County tax	1,285 96
State tax	1,240
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	\$2,713 20

Notes and interest paid	
Anticipation note, 1906	1,000 00
Interest on same	29 52
Interest due Dec 30, 1906, on time note	30 00
Time note due March, 1907	1,000 00
Interest on time loan, 1907	179 00
Interest on A. T. Otis poor fund note	52 00
Interest on coffin fund note	80 00
Anticipation notes, 1907	3,500 00
Interest on same	84 55
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	5,955 07

Cash on hand	1,301 98
State school fund	244 98
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	1,546 96
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	\$32,820 25

HORACE T. FOGG,
Treasurer.

Taxes Abated

Walter L. Boynton	\$2 00
David H. Bates	4 20
Edward Bates	2 00
Henry Bates	2 00
Laban R. Bates	2 00
Benjamin Briggs	15 50
Fred Brooks	2 00
John Conley	2 00
Fred Griffin	2 00
George A. Hatch, soldier	2 00
George S. Hatch, taxed in Scituate	10 00
Eben Leavitt	2 00
Charles E. McPherson	2 00
Levi N. Osborne, soldier	12 10
Ansel D. Phillips	2 00
William E. Stone, soldier	2 00
Robert Brown	3 40
J. H. Bullard, overtaxed	2 00
James Dunbar	2 00
Fred Cobbett	2 00
Albert T. Winslow, soldier	2 00
Alonzo Tolman	4 20
J. Frank Rhodes, soldier	20 00
Charles D. Barnard, soldier	2 00
L. C. Sylvester	10
Alden Briggs	10

Melissa H. Cushing	\$ 10
Anthony Collamore Estate	10
Robert E. Dwelley	26
Joshua Studley	10
Michael Sylvester heirs	04
Dana Smith heirs	10
Henry M. Stetson	18
Joseph F. Thompson	10
J. H. Whitman	10
Joshua Mann	10
Mrs. C. H. Merritt	18
Charles E. Nott	18
A. R. Phillips	10
Thomas M. Jordan	2 00
Charles H. Davis, taxed in Duxbury	2 00
Edward L. Farrar, taxed in Pittsfield	2 00
George L. Gardner	2 00
James Griffin	2 00
George W. Gerrish	2 00
Wm. C. Greene	2 00
Wm. H. Morse, soldier	2 00
Geo. S. Poole	2 60
Henry A. Pratt	2 00
Edwin R. Studley, soldier	2 00
Alva C. Tisdale, taxed in Maine	2 00
Webster A. Cushing, soldier	20 00
Edward A. Hatch	4 00
Mrs. Charles B. Hatch	3 00
George A. Jackman	2 00
John H. Prince	6 00
Wm. R. Smith heirs	80
Henry D. Smith, overtaxed	1 00
Albion Snowdale, soldier	2 00
Joseph Simoneau	2 00
Emery T. Winslow	2 00

John T. Hatch	\$2 50	
Harry J. Litchfield	4 00	
Elizabeth T. Adams	50	
Sophia Turner	10	
Jotham Salisbury	2 00	
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		\$181 74
Appropriation	\$100 00	
Exceeded		81 74

Gypsy and Browntail Moth Report.

Third annual report of the gypsy and browntail moth commission, town of Norwell.

John H. Sparrell, labor	\$68 02
John H. Sparrell, horse hire	70 50
John H. Sparrell, cash paid for labor and supplies	42 99
Albert Merritt, labor	182 48
Albert Merritt, horse hire	79 00
Ernest L. Merritt, labor	56 00
Ernest L. Merritt, horse hire	1 50
Fred Curtis, labor	74 66
John Whalen, labor	23 23
Walter J. Wagner, labor	56 64
Oscar Lambert, labor	16 20
Alexander Black, labor	22 09
Allen P. Merritt, labor	11 21
Edgar F. Poole, labor	89 00
Chas. H. Jones, labor	56 86
George A. Bates, labor	53 95
Hall & Torrey, supplies	6 47
Curtis & Bates, supplies	1 51
George F. Welch, cement	2 75
C. W. Tilden, filing saws and repairs	1 20
Ed. Gardner, filing saws and repairs	3 00
George H. Turner, filing saws and repairs	85

E. H. Sparrell, horse hire	\$10 50
J. H. Lehan, extension ladder and freight on same	10 50
Joseph Breck & Sons, creosote	1 50
Phillips, Bates & Co., cement	9 75
A. J. Litchfield & Son, supplies	8 05
C. W. H. Moulton, ladders	5 59
H. L. Frost & Co., supplies	1 37
William H. Clafin & Co., burlap and twine	75 00

Total expenditure

\$1,042 37

Total amonnt charged property owners	\$195 26
Town liability	332 95
Balance due from state	514 16

J. H. SPARRELL,
Local Superintendent.

Town Incidentals

Town of Marshfield, repairs on Union bridge	\$83 67
C. L. Howes, M. D., returning birth	25
Carter Ink Co., ink	83
Standard Publishing Co., ballots and reports	116 00
Joseph Parker & Co., book for treasurer	2 00
Mary E. Curtis, P. M., stamps	16 09
Carrie M. Ford, printing	15 00
J. F. Merritt, cash paid for expressing	50
E. A. Turner, telephone tolls	5 90
Allen Brothers, rubber stamps	2 80
E. H. Sparrell, cash paid for expressing	2 50
J. L. Fairbanks & Co., cash book for treasurer	17 50
Charles H. Baker, repairing pump Dist. 2	3 35
Thomas Groom & Co., assessor's books	4 00
W. P. Boardman, M. D., returning birth	25
A. L. MacMillan, M. D., returning births 1906 and 1907	1 75
A. W. Totman, expressing	10 76
E. H. Sparrell, cash paid for auto book	1 00
E. H. Sparrell, returning deaths	6 50
Charles Hammond, M. D., returning birth	25
Gilman Osgood, M. D., returning births	50
A. W. Brownell, printing	2 70

C. H. Colgate, M. D., returning births	\$ 50
W. C. Soule, painting and labor Union bridge	143 61
Waterman & Leavitt, auto signs	12 90
Harry S. Merritt, auto sign posts	19 56
James Studley, setting auto signs	1 00
George H. Bates, setting auto signs	2 67
E. H. Sparrell, carting and cash paid setting auto signs	3 50
Frank Baker, burying horse of 1st Mass. cavalry	5 00
Eastern Drug Co., supplies for fire extin- guishers	5 00
Horace T. Fogg, postage	10 56
E. L. Slocomb, check book	9 00
Helen L. Fogg, rent of vault	10 00
Hall & Torrey, pump box	1 10
H. J. Little, returning births	3 00
Town of Pembroke, seeding ponds	7 50
A. J. Litchfield & Son, stationery	8 66
James Dunbar, High street fire	1 50
A. W. Thomas, services at fires	2 00
John T. Osborn, Henderson fire	\$ 75
Dorothy Turner, Henderson fire	50
Samuel Turner, Henderson fire	75
Lawrence G. Turner, Henderson fire	75
Perry H. Osborne, Henderson fire	50
Humphrey Turner, Henderson fire	50

 3 75

Henry Pritham, Prospect street fire	\$9 50
Robert N. Leavitt, Prospect street fire	9 00
E. E. Jacobs, Prospect street fire	16 00
Alpheus Damon, Prospect street fire	3 50

Gilbert Howard, Prospect street fire	11	25
Frank W. Jones, Prospect street fire	11	50
Carlton Pinson, Prospect street fire	19	25
Henry Studley, Prospect street fire	2	50
Charles H. Baker, Prospect street fire	8	25
Benjamin Loring, Prospect street fire	10	00
Edward F. Winslow, Prospect street fire	18	50
George A. Osborne, Prospect street fire	4	00

 123 25

Total	\$668 16
Appropriation	400 00
Exceeded	\$268 16.

Highways

SOUTH WARD—FRANCIS E. HENDERSON.

F. E. Henderson, 22 days at \$2.50	\$55 00
Two men and 4 horses, 99 hours at \$1.00	99 00
One man and 2 horses, 58 hours at 50c	29 00
One man and 3 horses, 9 hours at 66 2-3c	6 00
Two horses, 45 hours at 33 1-3c	15 00
One man, 47 hours at 20	9 40
Joseph Briggs, man and 2 horses, 45 hours at 50c	22 50
E. A. Jacobs, man and 2 horses, 89 hours at 50c	44 50
W. D. Turner, two men and 4 horses, 45 hours at \$1.00	45 00
W. O. Henderson, man and 2 horses, 54 hours at 50c	27 00
Frank Hammond, man and 2 horses, 67 hours at 50c	33 50
E. H. Sparrell, man and 2 horses, 45 hours at 50	22 50
Frank Dyer, horse, 67 1-2 hours at 16 2-3	11 25
Man and horse, 33 1-3	15 00

T. Appleford, man and horse, 48 1-2 hours at 33 1-3	\$16 00
Henry T. Gunderway, horse, 6 days	3 00
James Studley, 106 1-2 hours at 20	21 30
W. H. Carr, 45 hours at 20c	9 00
Frank Dyer, 76 1-2 hours at 20c	15 30
T. Appleford, 18 hours at 20c	3 60
Edwin Briggs, 45 hours at 20c	9 00
Edgar Lee, 9 hours at 20c	1 80
James Smith, 194 hours at 20c	38 80
Robert Smith, 127 1-2 hours at 20c	25 50
Chas. Smith, 85 hours at 20c	17 00
H. T. Gunderway, 196 hours at 20c	39 20
Richard Winslow, 122 hours at 20c	24 40
Chas. Simmons, 128 hours at 20c	25 60
John Knapp, 54 1-2 hours at 20c	10 90
Ralph Gardner, 50 hours, at 20c	10 00
Samuel Brown, 72 hours at 20c	14 40
Howard Packard, 44 hours at 20c	8 80
R. C. Henderson, 63 hours at 20c	12 60
Wallace Henderson, 40 1-2 hours at 20c	8 10
H. P. Henderson, 54 hours at 20c	10 80
Alonzo Sylvester, 54 hours at 20c	10 80
Walter Jacobs, 54 hours at 20c	10 80
H. D. Damon, engineer, 6 days	18 00
D. R. Ewell, labor	2 00
Frank Thomas, gravel	15 00
E. A. Jacobs, gravel	4 80
Gilbert West, gravel	3 36
E. E. Stetson, gravel	1 08
A. J. Litchfield & Son, shovels and picks	11 20

\$836 79

EAST WARD—EMANUEL P. JOSEPH.

E. P. Joseph, 15 days at \$2.50	\$37 50
Four horses and two men, 174 hours at \$1.00	174 00
Two horses and man, 87 hours at 50c	43 50
Horse, 63 hours at 16 2-3c	10 50
Two men, 156 hours at 20c	62 40
Howard Delano, 36 hours at 20c	7 20
Amos H. Tilden, 73 1-2 hours at 20c	14 70
Alexander Black, 4 hours at 20c	80
Edward Jacobs, 39 hours at 20c	7 20
Walter Jacobs, 95 hours at 20c	19 00
Samuel Brown, 104 hours at 20c	20 80
Charles Bates, 27 hours at 20c	5 40
John Whalen, 171 1-2 hours at 20c	34 30
John Whalen, horse, 48 hours at 16 2-3	8 00
Elwin Tilden, 135 hours at 20c	27 00
Frank Baker, 72 hours at 20c	14 40
Eben Leavitt, 41 hours at 20c	8 20
George H. Turner and two horses, 27 hours at 50c	13 50
Jesse Reed and two horses, 72 hours at 50c	36 00
J. M. Reed, 126 hours at 20c	25 20
Frank Burns, 82 hours at 20c	16 40
Charles Jones, 68 hours at 20c	13 60
Harry Henderson, 65 hours at 20c	13 00
Wallace Henderson, 68 hours at 20c	13 60
Edward Jacobs, engineer nine days, at \$2.25	20 25
Ernest L. Henderson, 4 hours at 20c	80
Frank L. Thomas, 68 hours at 20c	13 60
John T. Hatch, 24 hours at 20c	4 80
Joseph Hatch and two horses, 60 hours at 50c	30 00
John Burns and two horses, 15 hours at 50c	7 50

William O. Henderson and two horses, 6 hours at 50c	\$3 00
William O. Henderson, 27 hours at 20c	5 40
John A. Evans and two horses, 18 hours at 50c	9 00
John Sparrell and two horses, 9 hours at 50c	4 50
Carleton O. Litchfield and two horses, 9 hours at 50c	4 50
Harry Ainslie, 18 hours at 20c	3 60
Harry L. Litchfield, 63 hours at 20c	12 60
Frank L. Thomas, gravel	16 80
John A. Evans, gravel	2 70
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	\$765 25

WEST WARD.—JOSEPH BRIGGS.

Joseph Briggs and team	\$158 57
Benjamin Loring and 2 horses 142 hours at 50c	71 00
Wm. Lapham and horse, 44 hours at 33 1-3c	14 67
Chas. H. Wilder, 34 hours at 15c	5 10
Charles H. Wilder and horse, 53 hours at 33 1-3c	17 66
Joshua Freeman and 2 horses, 88 hours at 50c	44 00
Timothy Sheehan and horse, 72 hours at 33 1-3c	24 00
Timothy Sheehan, 64 hours at 20c	12 80
Walter Simmons and two horses, 64 hours at 50c	32 00

William Farrar and two horses, 80 hours at 50c	\$40 00
Charles E. Brewster and 2 horses, 72 hours at 50c	36 00
Daniel Barnes and horse, 16 hours at 33 1-3c	5 33
Daniel Barnes, 4 hours at 20c	80
Edwin C. Briggs, 45 hours at 20c	9 00
Alpheus Damon, 97 1-2 hours at 20c	19 50
Alden Damon, 203 hours at 20c	40 60
Albion Damon, 56 hours at 20c	11 20
Henry Studley, 180 1-2 hours at 20c	36 10
William Hayden, 44 1-2 hours at 20c	8 90
William F. Pratt, 27 hours at 20c	5 40
George H. Bates, 96 hours at 20c	19 20
Henry A. Pratt, 8 hours at 20c	1 60
J. J. Silva, 82 hours at 20c	16 40
Charles Curtis, 137 hours at 20c	27 40
Andrew Clapp, 8 hours at 20c	1 60
P. Schultz, 12 hours at 20c	2 40
C. Pinson, 9 hours at 20c	1 80
C. H. Baker, 76 hours at 20c	15 20
Wm. G. Collamore, 48 hours at 20c	9 60
A. J. Parr, 32 hours at 20c	6 40
Geo. Sylvester, 40 hours at 20c	8 00
Edward W. Gardner, smith work	1 00
Joseph Breck & Sons, Corp., tools	10 76
Mrs. Enoch Johnson, 63 loads gravel at 6c	3 78
Bela Jacobs estate, 111 loads gravel at 6c	6 66
Elisha Sprague, 30 loads gravel at 6c	1 80
Mary Farrar, 295 loads gravel at 6c	17 70
Wm. E. Wilder, 30 loads gravel at 6c	1 80
John Brown, 10 loads gravel at 6c	60

GENERAL HIGHWAY ACCOUNT.

C. W. Tilden, Repairs	\$21 00
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SUMMARY OF HIGHWAY ACCOUNTS.

South Ward	\$836 79	
East Ward	765 25	
West Ward	746 33	
General Account	21 00	
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		\$2,369 37
Appropriation	\$2,500 00	
	2,639 37	
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Unexpended		\$130 63

RIVER STREET ROAD.

Paid F. E. Henderson, agent		\$1,003 95
Received from county	\$400 00	
Appropriation	600 00	
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		\$1,000 00
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Exceeded		\$3 95

STONE CRUSHER ACCOUNT.

Good Roads Machine Co.		\$20 50
Appropriation	\$250 00	
Unexpended		\$229 50

Assessors' Report

Value of buildings	\$468,605 00
Value of land	236,742 00
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	\$705,347 00
Value of personal property	167,722 00
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Total valuation, 1907	\$873,069 00
Total valuation, 1906	827,483 00
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Increase	\$45,586 00
State tax	\$1,240 00
County tax	1,285 96
Town tax	14,000 00
Number of polls assessed	459
Number of persons assessed	877.
Number assessed poll tax only	159.
Horses assessed	339.
Cows assessed	241.
Sheep assessed	39.
Neat cattle, other than cows assessed	17.
Swine assessed	120.
Fowl assessed	7733.
Dwelling houses assessed	470.
Acres land assessed	12,015.
Assessors' warrant to collector	\$14,648 95
Street railway excise tax	282 80

List of Jurors

List of persons qualified to serve as jurors to be presented to the town for acceptance or revision.

Hebert S. Turner	Merchant
Robert C. Henderson	Shoe cutter
Charles Tolman	Retired
Amos H. Tilden	Poultry farmer
Carleton O. Litchfield	Farmer
John Whalen	Farmer
Joseph Briggs	Ice dealer
James L. Litchfield	Farmer
John H. Prouty	Real estate
Walter T. Osborn	Retired
Arnold V. Beach	Farmer
Lebbeus Leach	Retired
Asa W. Robinson	Shoeworker
Harrison Wilder	Retired
Charles D. Barnard	Retired
George H. Tisdale	Shoeworker
Alonzo B. Whiting	Clerk
Wilfred L. Chamberlin	Tacker
William O. Prouty	Carpenter
Fred A. Stoddard	Shoeworker
Clarence C. Hook	Painter
Alpheus Damon	Retired
Frank Vining	Shoeworker
Alpheus Lewis	Shoeworker
Fred H. Kidder	Upholsterer
Frank E. Studley	Shoeworker
Bert Richardson	Sawyer

Miscellaneous

PARKS AND TRIANGLES ACCOUNT.

Appropriation	\$100 00	
Paid Church Hill Improvement Association	25 00	
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Unexpended		\$75 00

SCHOOL PHYSICIANS.

Appropriation	\$165 00	
Paid H. J. Little	4 00	
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Unexpended		\$161 00

FORE RIVER BRIDGE.

Henry D. Smith, witness	\$3 75	
Joseph H. Curtis, witness	3 75	
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No appropriation		\$7 50

CEMETERY.

Appropriation		\$75 00
J. H. Curtis, labor and supplies	\$75 00	
Received for sale of lots	\$58 00	

BOARD OF HEALTH.

C. S. Dean, services	\$2 00	
J. Frank Gear, supplies	15 00	
H. J. Little, M. D., services and supplies	23 05	
No appropriation		\$40 05

TREE WARDEN.

Appropriation		\$50 00
J. H. Sparrell, trees and setting	\$28 00	
J. F. Merritt, labor	3 50	
H. B. Merritt, labor	2 00	
		\$33 50
Unexpended		\$16 50

TOWN HALL.

Appropriation		\$50 00
L. F. Hammond, janitor	\$27 50	
Harry S. Merritt, stock and labor	1 75	
Curtis & Bates, supplies	70	
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		\$29 95
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Unexpended		\$20 05

Fire Extinguishers

Appropriation		\$300 00
Knight and Thomas, 24 extinguishers	\$288 00	
Charles E. Curtis, freight	94	
		288 94
Unexpended		\$11 06

LOCATION OF FIRE EXTINGUISHERS.

WEST WARD.

Alpheus W. Thomas, Charles W. Thomas, Clifford Brett,
Charles N. Gardner, Town Hall, Joseph Briggs, No. 1
School house, Curtis Bros., Benjamin Loring.

SOUTH WARD.

George E. Torrey, Frank Dyer, Joseph Tolman, Arthur
L. Toppan, William Tolman, William Appleford, Francis
E. Henderson.

EAST WARD.

Jesse Reed, Atwood L. Ford, John Whalen, A. J. Litch-
field & Son, Curtis & Bates, H. S. Turner & Co., Town
Farm, (two).

Financial Statement

LIABILITIES.

Notes in favor of South Scituate Savings	
Bank	\$3,500 00
Note in favor of the Coffin fund	2,000 00
Note in favor of the Otis fund	1,300 00
Due other towns for support of poor (estimated)	300 00
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	\$7,100 00

ASSETS.

Due from State on account of Gypsy moths	\$514 16
Due from state, state aid	2,150 00
Due from towns for aid to poor	684 24
Due from State, cattle inspection	17 25
Cash in hands of treasurer	1,546 96
Uncollected taxes	3,600 63
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	\$8,513 24
Balance in favor of town	\$1,413 24

RECAPITULATION.

Taxes abated	\$181 74
Highways	2,369 37

River street	\$1,003 95
Town hall	20 05
Parks and triangles	25 00
School physician	4 00
Fore River bridge	7 50
Cemetery	75 00
Board of health	40 05
Tree warden	33 50
Fire extinguishers	288 94
Stone crusher	20 50
Support of poor	2,753 31
Gypsy moths	1,232 09
Incidentals	867 41
Town officers	1,317 37
Soldiers' relief	519 35
State aid	2,150 00
Support of schools	8,235 80
Removing snow	533 37
Post No. 112	100 00
Town note	1,000 00
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	\$22,778 30

CREDITS.

Alms house	\$755 72
State Aid	2,150 00
County, River street	400 00
Due from State, cattle inspection	17 25
Due from towns, poor account	684 24
Cemetery sale of lots	58 00
Due from State, Gypsy moth account	514 16
Schools, from State and other towns	2,034 92
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	\$6,614 29

I have examined the accounts of the treasurer, selectmen, and collector and find them correctly cast and vouchers for all amounts paid.

FRANK W. JONES,
Auditor.

Norwell, Mass., Jan. 18, 1908.

Appropriations Recommended for

1908

Support of Poor	\$2,000 00
Incidentals	500 00
Support of Schools	6,500 00
Highways	2,500 00
Removing snow, St. Ry. excise tax and	300 00
Memorial Day	100 00
State Aid	2,000 00
Soldier's Relief	300 00
Town Officers	1,300 00
Washington St. Cemetery	50 00
Tree Warden	50 00
Board of Health	50 00
School Physician	100 00

\$15,750 00

Transcript of Articles in the Warrant.

FOR THE ANNUAL MEETING MARCH 2, 1908, AT

SEVEN O'CLOCK A. M.

Article 1. To choose a Moderator.

Art. 2. To bring in their votes for Town Clerk, Treasurer, Auditor, Tax Collector and five Constables for one year; one Selectman, one Assessor, and one Overseer of the Poor for three years; one Selectman, one Assessor, and one Overseer of the Poor for two years; one Selectman, one Assessor and one Overseer of the Poor for one year; three Highway Surveyors and one Tree Warden for one year; one member of the Board of Health and one member of the School Committee for three years; and to vote "Yes" or "No" in answer to the question "Shall licenses be granted for the sale of intoxicating liquors in this town for the ensuing year?" All on one ballot. Polls open from 7 A. M. to 11 A. M.

Art. 3. What amount of money will the town raise for the support of poor and incidental expenses?

Art. 4. What sum of money will the town raise for the support of schools?

Art. 5. What sum of money will the town raise for highway repairs?

Art. 6. What compensation will the town make for removing snow and appropriate money for the same?

Art. 7. In what manner and time shall the taxes be collected the ensuing year?

Art. 8. Will the town accept the list of jurors prepared by the selectmen?

Art. 9. Will the town authorize the treasurer, with the approval of the selectmen, to hire money in anticipation of taxes?

Art. 10. To hear and act on the report of any committee heretofore chosen.

Art. 11. To make allowance to town creditors.

Art. 12. What sum of money will the town appropriate for the use of Post 112, G. A. R., on Memorial Day?

Art. 13. What sum of money will the town appropriate for the payment of state and military aid?

Art. 14. What sum of money will the town appropriate to pay the superintendent of schools?

Art. 15. What sum of money will the town raise for repairs on schoolhouses and incidentals?

Art. 16. Will the town cause a statement of their financial affairs to be printed in February next?

Art. 17. Will the town appropriate a sum of money to be expended in the cemetery on Washington street?

Art. 18. Will the town cause a new valuation to be taken in 1908?

Art. 19. What price will the town pay for labor on the highways for the ensuing year?

Art. 20. Will the town appropriate a sum of money for the employment of a school physician?

Art. 21. What action will the town take in regard to keeping the sidewalks in repair?

Art. 22. Will the town give any instructions to the town officers?

Art. 23. What price will the town pay for work at fires for the ensuing year?

Art. 24. Or act or do anything relative to the above.

Citizens desiring additional articles in the warrant must present them to the selectmen on or before Feb. 17, 1908.

ALPHEUS THOMAS,
EZRA E. STETSON,
ERNEST H. SPARRELL,
Selectmen of Norwell.

ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

SCHOOL COMMITTEE

OF THE

TOWN OF NORWELL

FOR THE YEAR 1907

School Report.

TO THE CITIZENS OF NORWELL:

In presenting you our annual report it may be necessary to reiterate statements oft heard before, but like all truths, they must still be spoken.

Dare we mention the old, old story of attendance? Yes, we must, for the attendance the past year has been far from satisfactory. We have been unfortunate in several respects one, in having a slight epidemic of scarlet fever while although but few were victims of the disease, yet the fear of it made many parents keep their children at home, also many cases of measles served to lower the per cent. of attendance and another school was broken up by whooping cough. At the annual town meeting a sum of money was appropriated for a school physician and Dr. H. J. Little was appointed to the position. We have found it necessary to consult him on several occasions and think the law requiring a school physician (which at first glance seems foolish) to be a very wise one. Should a child show symptoms of illness, the teacher has only to call the physician, and if he thinks it necessary, a team will at once be provided and the child taken home; this has been done twice during the year. But sickness is not the chief cause for the poor attendance, it really seems as though it were almost the indifference of the parents, not many children will voluntarily attend school regularly. Parents, you are the ones at fault. Let no slight excuse keep your children from school. "Oh, only for

a day," you say, "that is no harm." Yes it is a harm both to your child and to others in the class, you don't like it if the teacher refuses to show your child about the lost lessons and some other parent will object because the teacher has to take time to teach again the lesson of the day before. Out of 255 children, who attend school in this town, only two have not been absent for one year, only six for two terms and only fifty-two for one term. Can't we make a better report than this next year? Let us all work with a will along this line and see what united efforts can accomplish.

It is a fact which cannot be denied that children do not and can not appreciate the great advantages offered them by town and state alike, until it is too late, but certainly the parents are aware of what is being done for the young people now-a-days and often contrast their own school days with those of the present. Our barge system for the convenience of the children, has outlived the experimental stage and has come to stay, seeming to be the only way in which a scattered population such as is common in country towns can maintain their graded schools. And that our schools are well graded, is shown by the fact that children coming into them from neighboring towns, even of larger size than ours, are no farther advanced than are our children of the same age. By the barge system, our High school is enabled to stand No. 1 in the matter of attendance, pupils now attending who without the barges would be denied this great privilege.

In our teaching force, in the lower grade schools, but little change has taken place, only one teacher leaving us during the year. Miss Peterson, of Dist. No. 1 Primary, resigned to accept a position in Hanson at an increased salary. Miss A. Edith Varney, a Framingham Normal graduate is her successor. But in the High School we have not been so fortunate, although we have been able to keep with us our efficient principal, Mr. A. B. Lewis, who has been untiring in his efforts to make our High school the success

it has become. In the matter of assistants is where all our trouble comes ; it seems to us that we have only to engage a teacher and immediately someone else finds out what a prize we have, offers a much larger salary, and we find ourselves looking for another teacher. In the past year we had eight assistants, and we seemed powerless to prevent it.

For the excellence of our High school, which met the requirements of the State Board of Education, we were granted \$500, which is a sum given to towns of less than 500 families maintaining a High school when by law they are not required to do so. As this money is to be used exclusively in the High school, we are hoping to be able to keep a good assistant when we get one if a matter of dollars will help our cause. Our graduating class, although numbering but four members, made this year a memorable one in the history of the High school by taking a trip to Washington, D. C., thus setting an example which other classes are only too anxious to follow. Everybody seemed glad to assist them in earning the funds for the trip, believing it to be a most excellent scheme and a fitting climax to four years' work. Our Superintendent, Mr. C. A. Harris, has been, the past year, as heretofore a most capable helper. The law implies that the Supt.'s chief work is in the schools. He is there to inspect, advise and assist, and this Mr. Harris has done and much more. No task is too hard for him nor no school question so small but what he has been ever ready to aid your committee in every way. We have been obliged to advance the wages of our teachers, as we told you last year we must do and still if we had to employ strangers and not residents of the town we would have to pay more than now. An extract from the report of the Board of Education is as follows: "There are in the State 207 towns where the average annual income for teaching is less than \$400 ; 32 towns where the income is less than \$300. Certainly now in city and country schools alike the salaries are out of proportion to the demands."

Teaching instead of being as formerly a profession overcrowded, is now far from crowded. Young men and women starting out in life, decline to become teachers however much they might like to do so, as it is about impossible to earn enough during forty weeks to support one's self the rest of the year. In former years, if we needed a teacher, we had only to apply to a Boston agency and we could make a choice from five or six candidates but now we apply to five or six agencies and get one candidate. We desire to employ trained teachers, preferably Normal graduates and we have got to decide to pay enough to get such teachers. People say "It costs a good deal to get an education," but can we spend money to better advantage than in educating our children?

We want them to enjoy every opportunity that it is in our power to bestow, we want them taught to appreciate and make the most of the great chances offered them in our public schools and to crown all, we want them taught to be useful citizens having high ideals and making the most of life. Do not entrust all this to the teachers. Let it begin in the home.

Respectfully submitted,

BENJAMIN LORING,
 GEORGE C. TURNER,
 MARY E. CURTIS,
 School Committee of Norwell.

Expenditures

EXPENDITURES CHARGEABLE TO THE APPROPRIATION.

For the winter term, 1907, but chargeable to the appropriation of 1906.

TEACHERS' SALARIES.

Albion B. Lewis	\$270 00
Marion D. Ames	90 00
Sara M. Damon	120 00
Myrtle A. Ball	12 50
Lydia Wood	40 00
Martha C. Scully	100 00
Sara E. Peterson	96 00
Mrs. Julia A. Neeley	132 00
Marion G. Merritt	96 00
Eva S. Burns	90 00
Maria W. Tolman	90 00
A. Gertrude Jones	35 00
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	\$1,171 50

SUPERVISION.

Charles A. Harris	\$150 00
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TRANSPORTATION.

Mrs. E. L. Loring	\$226 00
John F. Osborne	192 00
L. F. Hammond	168 00
James L. Litchfield	156 00

\$742 00

CARE OF ROOMS.

A. B. Lewis, High school	\$48 00
Ralph G. Lambert, Dist. No. 1,	10 00
Edwin W. French, Dist. No. 5,	10 00
Frank L. Thomas, Dist. No. 6,	10 00
Frank L. Thomas, Dist. No. 6, (Fall term)	4 00
Wm. C. Tolman, Dist. No. 7,	6 50

\$88 50

EXPENDITURES CHARGEABLE TO THE APPROPRIATION.

For Spring and Fall Terms, 1907.

Albion B. Lewis, principal High school	\$630 00
W. Scott Osborne, first assistant High school	5 00
Louisa R. Holt, first assistant High school	145 00
Sarah M. Damon, second assistant High school	120 00
Marguerite E. Bowen, first assistant High school	200 00

Edna C. Cullis, second assistant High school	\$180 00
Martha C. Scully, Dist. No. 1, grammar	296 00
Sara E. Peterson, Dist. No. 1, primary	120 00
A. Edith Varney, Dist. No. 1, primary	160 00
Mrs. Julia A. Neeley, Dist. No. 5, grammar	336 00
Marion G. Merritt, Dist. No. 5, primary	280 00
Eva S. Burns, Dist. No. 6, mixed	268 00
Maria W. Tolman, Dist. No. 7, primary	268 00
A. Gertrude Jones, drawing teacher	90 00
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	\$3,098 00

CARE OF ROOMS.

A. B. Lewis, High school	\$48 00
L. F. Hammond, High school	80 00
Ralph G. Lambert, Dist. No. 1	10 00
Nelson P. Tisdale, Dist. No. 1	10 00
E. W. French, Dist. No. 5	28 00
Frank L. Thomas, Dist. No. 6	31 50
Wm. C. Tolman, Dist. No. 7	15 00
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	\$222 50

FUEL AND FITTING.

Benj. Loring, wood, (as per contract)	\$25 00
F. E. Henderson, wood, (as per contract)	30 50
Jesse Reed, wood, (as per contract)	13 50
C. A. Brett, coal,	42 00
W. D. Turner, wood and measuring wood	4 50
W. H. Briggs, labor on wood	11 50

Geo. C. Turner, cash paid for sawing and housing wood	\$4 00	
John Whalen, wood, moving, sawing and housing	12 00	
W. W. Loring, work on wood	10 00	
F. L. Temple, sawing wood	5 00	
Ralph G. Lambert, work on wood	75	
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SUPERINTENDENT.

Received from State	\$250 00	
Town appropriation	250 00	
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Paid C. A. Harris		370 00
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		\$130 00

TRANSPORTATION.

Mrs. E. L. Loring	\$504 00	
John F. Osborne	448 00	
L. F. Hammond	448 00	
J. L. Litchfield	392 00	
George S. Hatch	6 50	
D. R. Ewell, transportation of sick chil- dren	4 00	
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CLEANING SCHOOL HOUSES.

Mrs. E. C. Jones, Dist. No. 1	\$12 00
Mrs. M. A. Osborne, Dist. No. 5	10 00

Mrs. H. E. Randall, Dist. No. 6	\$6 00
Mrs. E. L. Winslow, Bist. No. 7	6 00

\$34 00

HIGH SCHOOL FUND.

Unexpended balance from last year	\$37 05
Received from State	500 00

\$537 05

L. E. Knott Apparatus Co,	\$98 07
Silver, Burdett & Co.	2 70
American Book Co.	44 78
Ginn & Co.	108 20
E. E. Babb & Co.	38 32

\$292 07

\$244 98

BOOKS AND SUPPLIES.

A. H. Osborne & Co.	\$2 40
Samuel Ward Co.	4 00
Wadsworth, Howland Co.	31 85
Oliver Ditson Co.	3 03
W. E. Bonney	3 60
Houghton, Mifflin Co.	3 98
A. Gertrude Jones	2 07
J. L. Hammett Co.	4 50
The Douglas-Crawford Co.	7 87
Silver, Burdette & Co.	59 19
American Book Co.	17 03
Ginn & Co.	36 37
E. E. Babb & Co.	135 55

\$311 44

SUPPLIES AND INCIDENTALS.

J. B. Whitman, tuning piano	\$2 50
A. B. Lewis, cash paid for expressing	85
C. A. Harris, postage, telephoning, car-fare, etc.	31 52
Randall's Exp. (1906 and 1907) Expressing	20 69
Myrtle A. Ball, expenses	2 14
Maria W. Tolman, key for No. 7	40
Mary E. Curtis, postage and telephoning	7 66
J. Frank Turner, stock and labor	11 25
Harry S. Merritt, stock and labor at Nos. 5, 6 and High school	38 83
Carrie M. Ford, printing	12 75
Benj. Loring, supplies and cleaning funnel	3 50
W. H. Spencer, stoves, materials and labor	92 17
W. T. Osborn, truant officer	1 50
Geo. F. Welch, Lumber etc.	12 02
C. E. Simmons, labor at No. 7	75
H. S. Turner & Co., mdse.	2 00
Curtis & Bates, mdse	3 86
Patrick McNicol, cleaning vaults	8 00
D. W. Ross, labor at school houses	1 25
W. W. Wade, tuning piano	2 00
Hall & Torrey, mdse. and labor	20 15
The Douglas Printing Co., printing	1 58
Levi N. Osborne, stock and labor	9 00
W. C. Soule, painting	40 93
Geo. C. Turner, telephoning and car fare	1 93
Harry Tucker, labor at Dist. No. 5	1 00
Alexander Black, labor at Dist. No. 6	3 00
A. B. Lewis, work on electric bells	1 00
F. E. Henderson, cleaning vaults	2 00
C. W. Tilden, repairs at No. 5	1 50
S. W. Baker, repairing clock	1 00

A. J. Litchfield & Son, mdse.	10 43
J. H. Lehan, supplies and setting glass	8 00
F. L. Thomas, carting water	1 00
W. C. Tolman, repairs at No. 7	45

\$358 61

AVAILABLE FUNDS FOR PRESENT YEAR.

Town appropriation	\$6,225 00
Dog tax	346 76
Town of Rockland, tuition	76 00
State Board of Charity	218 00
State school fund	1,227 50
Received from state on account of teachers' salaries	166 66

\$8,259 92

Amount expended

5,985 80

\$2,274 12

Expenses to April (estimated)

2,100 00

\$174 12

AUDITOR'S REPORT.

I have examined the accounts of the School Committee and find vouchers for all amounts paid.

FRANK W. JONES,
Auditor.

Norwell, Mass., Jan. 18, 1908.

ABSTRACT FROM REGISTERS.

SCHOOLS	WINTER TERM 1907						SPRING TERM 1907						FALL TERM 1907					
	Number Enrolled	Average Membership	Average Attendance	Per Cent. of Attendance	Number of Tardy Marks	Number of Visitors	Number Enrolled	Average Membership	Average Attendance	Per Cent. of Attendance	Number of Tardy Marks	Number of Visitors	Number Enrolled	Average Membership	Average Attendance	Per Cent. of Attendance	Number of Tardy Marks	Number of Visitors
No. 1 Primary	48	45.69	38.58	.84	26	16	54	45.05	36.45	.80	20	14	49	46.44	43.83	.94	1	13
No. 1 Grammar	18	17.	15.46	.89	12	9	18	15.46	12.36	.79	13	11	24	23.6	22.04	.93	12	14
No. 5 Primary	36	30.84	25.63	.83	11	16	40	33.21	28.85	.86	6	19	34	31.38	31.09	.93	4	30
No. 5 Grammar	44	40.66	33.33	.82	2	16	43	37.	32.	.86	2	10	38	36.83	33.89	.92	7	23
No. 6 Mixed	27	26.66	19.5	.73	2	12	28	26.4	21.7	.82	0	15	24	23.6	21.07	.89	4	47
No. 7 Primary	18	17.92	14.97	.83	3	12	17	14.48	12.4	.85	0	6	19	16.72	15.46	.92	11	11
High School	52	49.3	41.6	.90	11		47	47.	41.73	.88	4		62	59.5	57.4	.96	8	

Norwell Public Schools.

PUPILS NOT ABSENT FOR ONE YEAR.

Mildred Mott

Emily Burns

NOT ABSENT FOR TWO TERMS.

Ethel M. Soule

Winnifred Hunt

S. Josephine Farrar

Lucy S. Williams

Elmer Leavitt

Harriet Leach

NOT ABSENT FOR ONE TERM.

Lawrence Soule

Edna W. Farrar

Alma E. Litchfield

Howard Cobbett

Elizabeth W. Corthell

Lucile Jones

Edwin C. Damon

Lawrence Osborne

Evelyn E. Ford

Joseph Scharks

Harry Tucker

Francis H. Damon

Lillian F. Ford

Hazel D. Damon

Annie Tucker

Sherwood Ainslie

Fred Olson

Howard Robinson

Sadie Black

Pearl Schultz

Herbert A. Lincoln

Floyd Osborne

Annie I. Olson

Etta Roberts

Dorothy M. Turner

Francis Leslie

Mabel A. Whalen

Harold Kendrick

Mildred C. Litchfield

Ruth Tolman

Minerva F. Temple
Gertrude Leslie
Annie Phair
Stewart Bowker
Bertha M. Campbell
Laura F. Hatch
Lena Leslie
Ella Osborne
Jennie Parry
Lawrence G. Turner
Clarence Winslow

Frederick Lee
Fred Joseph
Carrie E. Barrell
Gertrude E. Brooks
Xoa Damon
Nettie E. Jacobs
Dorothy Litchfield
Alice Parry
Maud Schultz
Samuel Turner
Helen Farrar

Superintendent's Report.

TO THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE AND CITIZENS OF NORWELL

I herewith submit for your consideration my third annual report.

SCHOOL LIBRARIES.

In addition to the regular reading lessons at school, pupils should read at home interesting, instructive and profitable books suggested by the teachers. At school the teacher should strive to secure good oral reading to be sure, but this does not involve a training in elocution. Elocutionary reading is an accomplishment, perhaps, but what persons need most is an extensive reading course that will have a broadening effect. Elocutionary reading may be very superficial and shallow in its scope, whereas well-directed extensive reading is unquestionably broadening. To read well and to acquire the habit of reading are by no means identical, and the latter is by far to be prized.

At home this reading for the most part is silent reading, and this being the kind in which almost all persons exclusively participate, should be encouraged to the utmost. In order to stimulate this reading books for supplementary reading at home might at intervals be purchased. The moral value of reading books that arouse the sympathies and result in right action is inestimable.

TEACHERS' MEETING.

One teachers' meeting was held in each town during the fall term. Subjects of the following nature were treated: Health of the pupil; care of school property; tidiness of room; pupils' failings; facts about the school register; teachers' mistakes; suggestions for the teacher's professional growth; morals and manners; pedagogy, including five formal steps, methods of testing knowledge, methods of calling on pupils, methods of instruction; numerous miscellaneous suggestions. An opportunity was given for discussion.

SIGHT AND HEARING TESTS.

The sight and hearing tests have been made by the teachers with the following results:

Number of pupils enrolled	245
Number defective in eyesight	37
Number defective in hearing	12
Number of parents or guardians notified	46

FAULTY CURRICULA.

Courses of studies in many rural towns need revision. Much that is taught does not interest the pupil nor meet the demand of the times. We are devoting too much time to some subjects, and neglecting others that are of as much, if not more, value. For example, let us speak of two subjects that need, like an unruly boy, a judicious shaking up. It is almost farcical to spend our time on certain parts of arithmetic that are purely technical and conventional, add equally absurd to squander time on grammar as a purely technical subject. They both lack interest, and can be supplanted by something more utilitarian. By this I mean that to be well grounded in addition, subtraction, multiplication, division,

fractions, tables of money, weights and measures, percentage and simple interest suffices for the majority ; and to spend much time on involution, evolution, metric system, partial payments, ratio and proportion, and intricate and complicated puzzles in other parts of arithmetic is to deprive the boy or girl from acquiring something else of more interest and value.

Again, the value of grammar that requires the daily parsing of every word in the sentence, and the daily use of diagrams is much overestimated.

A popular delusion is, however, that if the course is to be enriched it must come within the scope of the High school.

To be sure we do need more modern ideas infused into our High school curricula of to-day. We must grant that pupils are pursuing the traditional trend, regardless of interest or commercial value of the subjects prescribed. It is much easier to go along the line of least resistance than otherwise. Pupils of High school age should have the opportunity to pursue courses that are of practical and vocational value as well as disciplinary and cultural. Discipline and power can be acquired, however, without the study of some of our traditional subjects, e. g., Greek and Latin. Greek should be forever relegated to the college, and Latin elected by only the few that can profit thereby. Too many almost waste their time by attempting to acquire a knowledge of these dead languages with no particular end in view. It is not that they have not gained anything by the study of the subject, but that they could have acquired considerably more had they spent their time on something else of more interest. A few pupils might profitably pursue the study of the classics, but I am speaking of the majority.

The schools are for all. To meet the needs of the majority does not suffice, and since we shall have pupils anxious to receive a classical training, we cannot wholly and permanently eradicate it from the course. We don't want to if there is a demand for it.

On the other hand, if the schools are for all, then we must have courses for those who do not care for some of the branches prescribed. I am hinting at the courses in manual training, vocational and industrial work. That these be placed in the curricula of today is a popular demand. Those parents whose boys and girls wish to pursue the above-mentioned courses have as much claim upon the townspeople for the maintenance of such courses as the others have for a course that is prescribed. They pay taxes which support in part the course that is given. As I have said the schools to meet the needs of the times are for all. Therefore a demand to meet the requirements of those desiring a business course or any other reasonable course is just.

I do not say that we can have a multitude of courses given at our High schools. We can't. But we are just as much under the obligation to those tax payers whose children wish other courses.

My point is this: If it is not advisable and expedient to install additional courses in our High school, the alternative is to pay the tuition of all those who wish to profit by a course more suitable and desirable in other schools where such instruction is given, provided such schools are approved by the school committee. Anything else, it seems to me is unjust.

Although I have voiced my opinion in favor of other courses for girls and boys of High school age, yet I believe that to place this work in the High school and neglect needed manual instruction throughout the lower grades is absolutely wrong and unfair. Should this be done, we would be depriving many who cannot go to the High school from the very training they need—even more than those who become High school graduates.

Pupils are obliged by law to attend school until they attain the age of 14. Up to that point, then, is the very time that we should train them in a very elementary way at first, but nevertheless train them in some manual or vocational

work, preferably the former. If we consider this work proper only as a culmination of High school work, it is, as it were, shingling the house before laying the foundation.

The work then ought to be placed in your grades below the High school. If we can afford to place it in all the schools, it is well. If, however, this cannot be done, the place to begin is at the bottom of the educational ladder.

I have unbounded confidence in and sympathy for the boy or girl who cannot enjoy High school privileges. He is the one to be helped first. The others from the very fact that they have had several more years more schooling should be all the more capable and prepared to shift for themselves if circumstances compel.

In the primary and grammar schools we should have paper-folding, card board construction, elementary and advanced knife work, weaving sewing, elementary woodwork, courses in elementary agriculture, etc.

The drift and gist of my argument is briefly this: Our courses need revision by the elimination of some subjects and the substitution of others. A business course in the High school is all right, but if the town can't afford to give corresponding courses in the lower grades at the same time, the place to begin is in the lower grades in order to ensure the instruction of all before attaining the age of fourteen.

SUGGESTION.

At the Ridge Hill primary school we have an enrolment of 47, far too many for one teacher. In fact this number is too large for even a school of the upper grades, therefore, much more so for a school made up of children of the first four grades. Something should be done at once in order to get the desired results. This school ought to be divided by giving the first two grades to one teacher and grades three and four to another. This arrangement would not only be admirable, but effective. Better work would necessarily be the resultant.

Since there isn't the requisite room in the building unless the upper room be also used for a primary school, the building at Ridge Hill should be devoted exclusively to the first four grades, with the first two down stairs, and the third and fourth up stairs.

The question that naturally follows is—Where are we going to put the pupils of the grammar school? To this I reply that since the conveyance of the pupils is the policy of the town, why not carry it one step further and thereby make an almost ideal condition.

The grammar school pupils, who now occupy the upper room of the Ridge Hill building may be transported, to No. 2. now closed, and at the same time transport the grammar school pupils at No. 5 to No. 2, putting grades five and six on one floor and seven and eight on the other. The result would be that each teacher will have two grades instead of four, and again material advance will be made. Somewhat more inconvenient to some, perhaps, but the pupils will be the gainers. By the adoption of this plan so much more work could be done by both grammar teachers and pupils; then pupils could enter the High school directly from the eighth year, thereby doing away with the ninth grade, and thus affording an opportunity to enlarge the scope of the High school.

The next question that arises is: Are we going to leave No. 5 upper room vacant? By no means. The whole building will then be used for the primary scholars, grades one and two on one floor, and grades three and four on the other. Each school will be rather small to be sure, but No. 6 may be permanently closed, and the pupils here who are members of the first four grades may be properly distributed at No. 5.

What have we gained by these steps. Much. We have all the schools mentioned made up of only two grades, an excellent and great improvement. Before this we had four grades per teacher. Each pupil would then get twice as much time from the teacher as under the present arrangement.

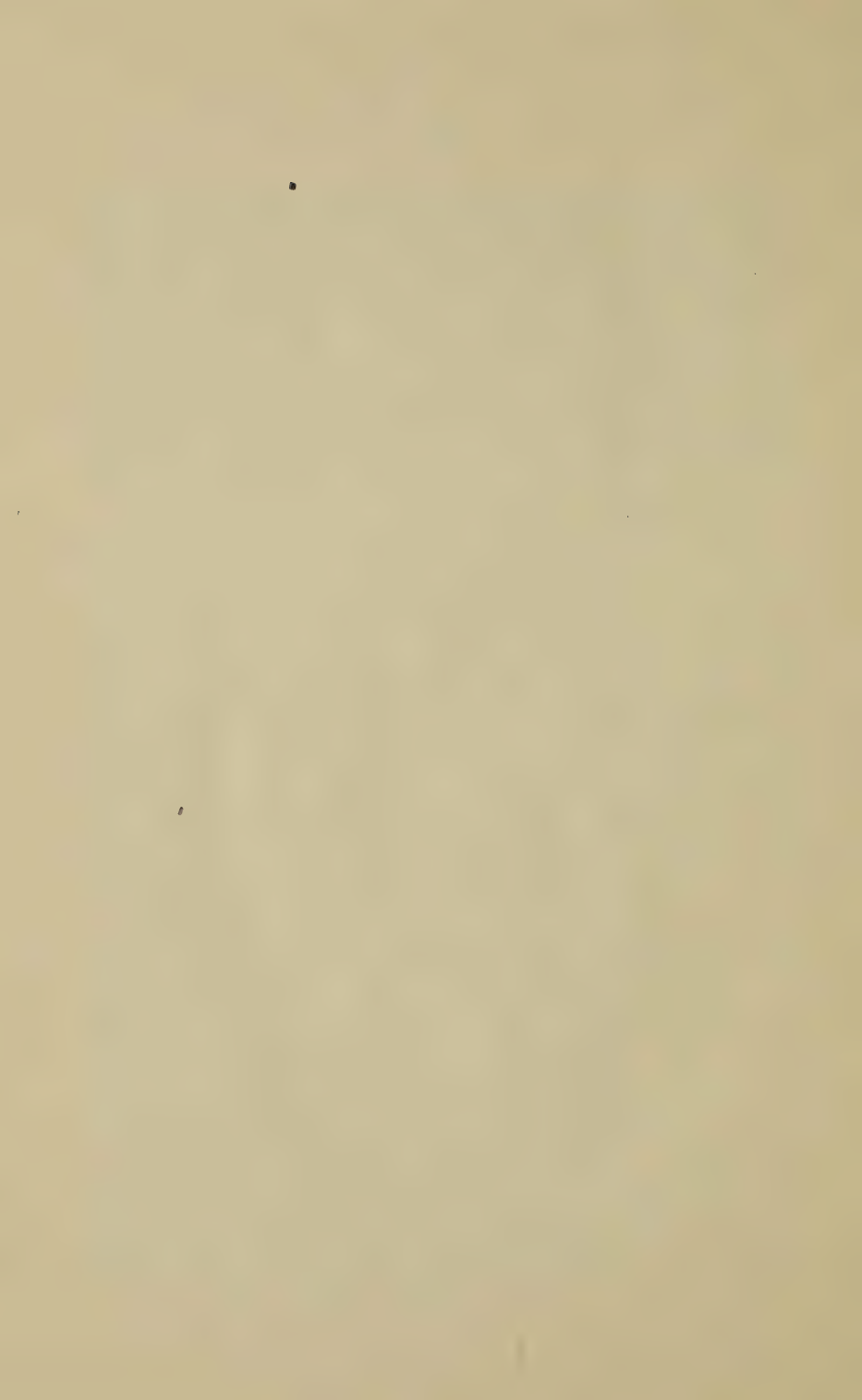
Your schools ought to be equal to any in the state by that classification. Isn't it worth considering? We are not trying to lessen the work of the teacher merely, but are trying to make conditions such that the pupils will be the gainers.

The number of teachers would remain the same, one building opened, another closed.

In conclusion I wish to extend to the teachers and committee my profound appreciation for their suggestions, loyalty and support, and to the citizens for their co-operation in every phase of school work.

Respectfully submitted,

CHARLES A. HARRIS.



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Report of the Town Clerk

ANNUAL TOWN MEETING, 1908.

At the annual meeting and election of officers held March 2, 1908, the following action was taken on the articles contained in the warrant :

Article 1. To choose a moderator.

Chose Alpheus Thomas moderator by ballot, and he was duly sworn by the clerk.

Article 2. The Town Clerk then delivered the ballots and everything pertaining to the election to the Moderator and Clifton S. Deane, Charles Scully, Amos H. Tilden, Walter C. Barnard, Jeremiah H. Lehan and Charles W. Thomas, having been appointed election officers by the Selectmen, were sworn as such by the Town Clerk. The ballot box was examined and found to be empty and the register set at 0. The polls were declared open at 7.12 a. m. and were closed at 11.17 a. m. The number of names checked on the voting list and the number of ballots cast was 191, one of these being a partial ballot for school committee. The ballot box registered 191. On being canvassed and counted in open meeting the ballots were found to be for the following persons .

TOWN CLERK For One Year

Joseph F. Merritt
Blanks

176
14

SELECTMAN For Three Years

Alpheus Thomas	143
L. Frank Hammond	1
Blanks	46

SELECTMAN For Two Years

Ezra E. Stetson	148
Blanks	42

SELECTMAN For One Year

Elliott W. Crowell	23
William D. Turner	83
John Whalen	71
Blanks	13

ASSESSOR For Three Years

Alpheus Thomas	140
Blanks	50

ASSESSOR For Two Years

Ezra E. Stetson	141
Blanks	49

ASSESSOR For One Year

Elliott W. Crowell	21
William D. Turner	81
John Whalen	66
Blanks	22

OVERSEER OF THE POOR For Three Years

Alpheus Thomas	139
Blanks	51

OVERSEER OF THE POOR For Two Years

Ezra E. Stetson	144
Blanks	46

OVERSEER OF THE POOR For One Year

Elliott W. Crowell	21
William D. Turner	81
John Whalen	66
Blanks	22

TOWN TREASURER For One Year

Horace T. Fogg	161
Blanks	29

AUDITOR For One Year

Frank W. Jones	160
Blanks	30

COLLECTOR OF TAXES For One Year

Andrew J. Litchfield	174
Blanks	16

SCHOOL COMMITTEE For Three Years

Mary E. Curtis	140
Blanks	51

BOARD OF HEALTH For Three Years

Frederick H. Kidder	131
Blanks	59

SURVEYORS OF HIGHWAYS For One Year

Joseph Briggs	128
Francis E. Henderson	101
Edward A. Jacobs	87
Emanuel P. Joseph	144
George A. Jackman	1

CONSTABLES For One Year

Atwood Ainslie	93
Joshua Warren Foster	154
L. Frank Hammond	133
George A. Jackman	17
Walter T. Osborn	104
Frank M. Vining	118
Jesse M. Winslow	109
Archie E. Fish	1
Edward Winslow	1

TREE WARDEN For One Year

John H. Sparrell	149
Blanks	41

Shall Licenses be granted for the Sale of In-
toxicating Liquors in this town ?

Yes	55
No	103
Blanks	32

The officers elected were :

Town Clerk, Joseph F. Merritt.

Selectman, Assessor and Overseer of the Poor for three years, Alpheus Thomas.

Selectman, Assessor and Overseer of the Poor for two years, Ezra E. Stetson.

Selectman, Assessor and Overseer of the Poor for one year, William D. Turner.

Treasurer, Horace T. Fogg.

Auditor, Frank W. Jones.

Collector of Taxes, Andrew J. Litchfield.

School Committee for three years, Mary E. Curtis.

Board of Health for three years, Frederick H. Kidder.

Surveyors of Highways, Joseph Briggs, Francis E. Henderson, Emanuel P. Joseph.

Constables, Joshua Warren Foster, L. Frank Hammond, Walter T. Osborn, Frank M. Vining, Jesse M. Winslow.

Tree Warden, John H. Sparrell.

Article 3. To hear and act on the report of the Town Clerk, Selectmen, Overseers of the Poor, Auditor, Collector and Treasurer.

Voted to accept the reports of these officers.

It was voted that the appropriations be made all together and that the Moderator appoint a committee of three to retire and bring in estimates of the amounts needed. The Moderator appointed Horace T. Fogg, Ezra E. Stetson and John H. Prouty. The committee recommended the following appropriations :

Support of Poor	\$2,000 00
Incidentals	500 00
Support of schools	6,500 00
Removing snow, street railway ex-	
cise tax and	200 00
Highways	2,500 00

Memorial day	\$100 00
State aid	2,000 00
Soldiers' relief	300 00
Town officers	1,300 00
Washington Street Cemetery	50 00
Tree warden	50 00
Board of Health	50 00
School physician	50 00
Town note	1,000 00
Squares and triangles	75 00
Abatement of taxes	150 00
County tax	1,300 00
State tax	1,250 00

It was voted that the report of this committee be accepted and that the above amounts, making a total of \$19,375. be appropriated.

Article 4. What amount of money will the town raise for the support of poor and incidentals.

Included in vote on general appropriations.

Article 5. What sum of money will the town raise for the support of schools?

Included in vote on general appropriations.

Article 6. What sum of money will the town raise for highway repairs?

Included in vote on general appropriations.

Article 7. What compensation will the town make for removing snow and appropriate money for the same?

Voted that twenty-five cents per hour be paid for removing snow. The appropriation was included in the vote on general appropriations.

Article 8. In what manner and time shall the taxes be collected the ensuing year?

Voted that a discount of two per cent. be allowed on taxes paid on or before October 1st; that on all taxes not paid December 1st, interest be charged at the rate of six per cent.; after April 1st, 1909, the collector shall issue summons and proceed to collect all unpaid taxes, and that the money shall be paid to the treasurer or a deposit made by the collector for all unpaid taxes on or before July 1, 1909.

Voted that the collector have the same powers in the collection of taxes that he would have if he were also town treasurer.

Voted that the collector publish in the next annual report the names of all persons, together with the amount of tax, whose taxes of the assessment of 1907 remain unpaid December 31, 1908.

Article 9. Will the town accept the list of jurors prepared by the selectmen?

Voted that the chair appoint a committee of three to revise the jury list. The Moderator appointed as this committee Jeremiah H. Lehan, Alfred B. Litchfield and Ernest H. Sparrell. The committee brought in the following list of names and it was voted to accept its report.

LIST OF JURORS

Henry C. Ford
Amos H. Tilden
Joseph Briggs
Theophilus Appleford
Asa W. Robinson
George H. Tisdale
William O. Prouty
Alpheus Damon
Frederick H. Kidder

Robert C. Henderson
Carleton O. Litchfield
James L. Litchfield
Arnold V. Beach
Harrison Wilder
Alonzo B. Whiting
Fred A. Stoddard
Frank Vining
Frank E. Studley

Charles Tolman
 John H. Prouty
 Charles D. Barnard
 Clarence C. Hook
 Alfred B. Litchfield

John Whalen
 Lebbeus Leach
 Wilfred L. Chamberlin
 John H. Sparrell

Article 10. Will the town authorize the treasurer, with the approval of the selectmen, to hire money in anticipation of taxes?

It was voted by a majority of the legal voters present and voting, that the treasurer be and hereby is authorized, with the approval of the selectmen, to borrow during the present municipal year, in anticipation of the collection of taxes, such sums of money as may be necessary for the current expenses of the town, but not exceeding the total tax levy for said year, giving the notes of the town therefor payable within twelve months from the date thereof. All debts incurred under the authority of this vote shall be paid from the taxes of the present municipal year.

Article 11. To hear and act on the report of any committee heretofore chosen.

No reports were received at this time.

Article 12. To make allowance to town creditors.

Voted that the bill of George H. Vinal for \$28 on account of Alvin D. Vinal be allowed and paid.

Article 13. What sum of money will the town appropriate for the use of Post 112, G. A. R., on Memorial Day?

Included in vote on general appropriations.

Article 14. What sum of money will the town appropriate for the payment of state and military aid?

Included in the vote on general appropriations.

Article 15. What sum of money will the town appropriate to pay the superintendent of schools?

No action taken as the amount was included in general school appropriation.

Article 16. What sum of money will the town raise for the repairs of school houses and incidentals?

No action taken as general school appropriation is to cover repairs and incidentals.

Article 17. Will the town cause a statement of their financial affairs to be printed in February next?

Voted that a statement be printed.

Article 18. Will the town appropriate a sum of money to be expended in the cemetery on Washington street?

Included in vote on general appropriations.

Voted that the money appropriated for this purpose be expended under the direction of the cemetery committee.

Article 19. Will the town cause a new valuation to be taken in 1908?

Voted to pass over this article.

Article 20. What price will the town pay for labor on the highways for the ensuing year?

Voted to pay twenty-five cents per hour for men, sixty-two and one-half cents an hour for man and two horses.

Voted that eight hours constitute a day's work.

Article 21. What price will the town pay for work at fires, the ensuing year?

Voted to pay thirty-five cents per hour for fighting fire either day or night.

Article 22. Will the town appropriate a sum of money for the Sealer of Weights and Measures ?

Voted to appropriate \$108 for purchase of necessary outfit for sealer of weights and measurers. The committee to be the selectmen.

Article 23. Will the town instruct the Surveyors to locate the stone crusher in the center of the town ?

Voted to leave the matter with the highway surveyors to put it where they think proper.

Article 24. Will the town raise and appropriate the sum of \$100 to be expended in caring for the sidewalks and grounds around the Soldiers' Monument, the care of Gaffield Park and the several triangles and grass plots in different parts of the town ?

Included in vote on general appropriations.

Voted that the appropriation be spent under the direction of the town clerk.

Article 25. Will the town appropriate a sum of money for the employment of a school physician ?

Included in vote on general appropriations.

Article 26. What action will the town take in regard to keeping the sidewalks in repair ?

Voted to refer to the highway surveyors.

Article 27. Will the town give any instructions to the town officers ?

Voted that the selectmen be instructed to call a caucus about two weeks before the next annual meeting.

Voted that the town clerk keep a record of all bodies brought into town for burial and that the names be published in the next annual report with the records of deaths.

Voted to instruct the school committee to see that the scholars in District No. 1 be transported to the Union Memorial services this year.

Voted that the constables enforce the law against gambling the ensuing year and that the town clerk send a copy of this vote to those who have not already taken the oath of office.

Voted that the selectmen investigate the charge made in their office last November and find out if the gentleman making it can substantiate his claim.

Article 28. (Repetition of a former article.)

Article 29. Or act or do anything relative to the above.

Voted that the constables act as field drivers.

Voted that the selectmen serve as fence viewers.

Voted that the cemetery committee consist of George W. Curtis, Joseph H. Curtis and Alpheus Thomas.

Voted that the town raise by taxation a sum not less than \$14,000 nor more than \$16,000.

Voted that the money to be raised be assessed on the polls and estates of residents and on the estates of non-residents.

Voted that the selectmen pay no money to delinquent taxpayers.

Voted that the salary of the town treasurer be \$150; tax collector, \$225; highway surveyors, \$2.50 per day; secretary of school committee \$50; other members not over \$25 each.

Voted that the Moderator be paid \$5 for services this day.

Voted that this meeting be dissolved.

JOSEPH F. MERRITT,

Town Clerk.

STATE ELECTION

Pursuant to a warrant duly executed the qualified voters of the town of Norwell met at the Town Hall, Tuesday Nov. 3, 1908. Alpheus Thomas, Chairman of the Board of Selectmen, was presiding officer. Ezra E. Stetson, William D. Turner, John Whalen, Charles Scully, Charles W. Thomas and Amos H. Tilden having been appointed election officers and ballot clerks were duly sworn as such by the town clerk. The polls were opened at 6 a. m. and closed at 1 p. m. Two hundred and twenty-eight ballots were cast, the check list and ballot box register showing a like number. On being canvassed and counted in open meeting they were found to be for the following persons and the result was declared :

ELECTORS OF PRESIDENT AND VICE-PRESIDENT

Bryan and Kern, Democratic	40
Chafin and Watkins, Prohibition	1
Debs and Hanford, Socialist	0
Gillhaus and Munro, Socialist Labor	0
Hisgen and Graves, Independence League	10
Taft and Sherman, Republican	164
Blanks	13

GOVERNOR

James F. Carey, Socialist	0
Eben S. Draper, Republican	141
Walter J. Hoar, Socialist Labor	0
William N. Osgood, Independence League	8
James H. Vahey, Democratic	57
Willard O. Wylie, Prohibition	3
Blanks	19

LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR

Charles J. Barton, Democratic	45
Joao Claudino, Socialist Labor	0
Louis A. Frothingham, Republican	152
John Hall, Jr., Socialist	1
Robert J. McCartney, Independence League	7
Frank N. Rand, Prohibition	2
Blanks	21

SECRETARY

James F. Aylward, Democratic	34
Herbert B. Griffin, Prohibition	3
George Nelson, Socialist Labor	0
William M. Olin, Republican	159
Squire E. Putney, Socialist	0
John F. Williams, Independence League	5
Blanks	27

TREASURER

Charles E. Butterworth, Independence League	7
Arthur B. Chapin, Republican	152
Henry C. Hess, Socialist Labor	0
Charles C. Hitchcock, Socialist	0
Edward Kendall, Prohibition	4
Erwin H. Kennedy, Democratic	35
Blanks	30

AUDITOR

Frank Bohmbach, Socialist Labor	0
John E. Dempsey, Independence League	8

George G. Hall, Socialist	0
Wilbur D. Moon, Prohibition	3
Henry E. Turner, Republican	153
Simeon Viger, Democratic	32
Blanks	32

ATTORNEY-GENERAL

Henry M. Dean, Prohibition	2
Elliot C. Harding, Socialist Labor	2
Dana Malone, Republican	146
John McCarthy, Socialist	1
Richard J. Talbot, Independence League	7
John Alden Thayer, Democratic	36
Blanks	34

CONGRESSMAN (Fourteenth District)

George J. Alcott, Socialist	1
Charles B. Drew, Independence League	12
William C. Lovering, Republican	147
Eliot L. Packard, Democratic	46
Blanks	22

COUNCILLOR (First District)

George A. Beedem, Socialist	0
Charles O. Brightman, Republican	146
Edward J. Cantwell, Independence League	7
George L. Oliveir, Democratic	41
Blanks	34

SENATOR, (First Plymouth District)

Thomas H. Dunn, Socialist	0
Orion L. Griswold, Prohibition	2
Melvin S. Nash, Republican	171
Benjamin F. Peterson, Democratic	31
Elmer L. Smith, Independence League	6
Blanks	18

REPRESENTATIVE IN GENERAL COURT
(Second Plymouth District)

Arthur B. Church, Democratic	95
William S. Moore, Republican	121
Blanks	12

COUNTY COMMISSIONER (Plymouth)

Edward C. Cole, Socialist	1
Jere B. Howard, Republican	153
Nathaniel Morton, Democratic	45
Blanks	29

REGISTER OF PROBATE AND INSOLVENCY
(Plymouth County)

Herbert N. Alden, Socialist	0
Sumner A. Chapman, Republican	161
Chester W. Ford, Democratic	34
Edward F. Hall, Independence League	5
Blanks	28

TOWN CLERKS' CONVENTION

At a meeting of the town clerks of the towns, comprising the Second Plymouth Representative district held at Marshfield, November 13, 1908, the vote for representative was found to be as follows :

	Total	Church	Moore	Blanks
Duxbury	235	37	163	35
Marshfield	228	52	142	34
Norwell	228	95	121	12
Pembroke	200	125	60	15
Scituate	353	111	195	47

Whole number of ballots	1,244
Arthur B. Church, Democratic	420
William S. Moore, Republican	681
Blanks	143

William S. Moore having a plurality of the votes was declared elected and his certificate made out in accordance therewith.

George H. Stearns	Town Clerk of Duxbury
George H. Wetherbee	Town Clerk of Marshfield
Joseph F. Merritt	Town Clerk of Norwell
Jetsom Wade	Town Clerk of Scituate
Wilbert E. Halladay	Town Clerk of Pembroke

 ENROLLED MILITIA

There were 248 men enrolled for military duty in this town May 1, 1908.

REGISTERED VOTERS

At the close of registration Oct. 24, 1908, there were 366 male and 3 female voters on the list.

 DOGS LICENSED

Dog licenses issued from Dec. 1, 1907 to Dec. 1, 1908.

Whole number licensed 175

153 male dogs at \$2.00	\$306 00	
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22 female dogs at \$5.00	110 00	
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		\$416 00
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Less clerks' fees, 175 licenses at 20c		35 00
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Amount turned over to County Treasurer		\$381 00
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MARRIAGES RECORDED IN NORWELL DURING
THE YEAR 1908.

February 1. At Hanover, George R. Farrar of Norwell and Minnie C. Fitts of Rockland, by Rev. Melvin S. Nash.

March 9. At Providence, R. I., Louis Warren Wheeler and Julia Elizabeth Damon, both of Norwell, by Rev. Alexander Mitchell.

April 18. At Providence, R. I., Benjamin Franklin Eldridge of Quincy and Abbie Gertrude Jones of Norwell, by Rev. Alexander Mitchell.

July 8. At Hanover, Jared Ainslie Gardner and Elsie Blanche Mann, both of Norwell, by Rev. Marcus H. Carroll.

August 5. At Norwell, Lyman Washington Lincoln and Carrie Elizabeth Bates, both of Norwell, by Rev. William E. Ennis.

August 14. At Newton, William Gould Vinal of Norwell and Lillie Hale Downing of Medford, by Rev. George S. Butters.

September 22. At Rockland, Arthur Andrew Montgomery and Barbara Alberta Cochran, both of Norwell, by Rev. Fred J. Clark.

October 3. At Hanover, Leon Burton Cobbett of Norwell and Eunice Lillian Burbank of Scituate by Rev. Melvin S. Nash.

October 28. At Norwell, Herbert Gilman Simmons and Annie Louise Farrar, both of Norwell, by Rev. Melvin S. Nash.

BIRTHS REGISTERED IN NORWELL DURING THE YEAR 1908.

DATE OF BIRTH	NAME OF CHILD	NAMES OF PARENTS	MAIDEN NAME OF MOTHER
January	George Leonard Lincoln.....	Arthur G. and Ida C.	Holbrook
17	Raymond Bresnahan	John and Grace	Hitchcock
30	Elder William Brewster	Charles E. and Flora	Sherman
February	Wilbur Harold Hatch	George S. and Annie.....	Berger
26	Harriet Elizabeth Prince.....	John H. and Mary A.....	Pratt
9	— — — Torrey	Everett L. and Ethel F.	Stoddard
8	Genevieve Anna Nash	Lester S. and Helen E.....	Merritt
23	Bertha Whiting.....	Louis B. and Floretta	Young
28	Charles Alvor Richardson	Charles H. and Viola M.....	Macomber
31	Clarence Leland Damon	Wallace H. and Fannie M.....	Crocket
19	John Ellsworth Bryden	John and Lillian A.....	Redfern
9	Gordon Leroy Melcher	John C. and Alice M.....	Snowdale
25	Fred Glennore Heredien	Henry and Eva.....	Totman
27	George Richmond Jones	Walter N. and Mabel	Holbrook
27	Louisa Victoria Sylvester, born at Dux y	Albert S. and Amy W.....	Dinzey
30	— — — Henderson	Harry and Edna.....	Clapp
16	Thelma Hatch.....	Joseph W. and Hortense	Bunker
1	Helen Louise Delano	William and Carrie.....	Lovell
20	Minnie Evelyn Davis	Nahum Irving and Minnie L.....	Spooner
29	Helen Frances Wagner	Walter and Fannie.....	Henderson
31	Lillian I. Bates.....	Henry W. and Nellie M.....	Hammond
18	Illegitimate		
6	Jesse Kinsman Leavitt	Jesse and Lena	Hinds
7	Florence Constance Henderson	Ernest L. and Jennie	Chapman
11	Carolyn Barnard	James H. and Elneline	Burrage
14	Jennie Agnes White	Patrick L. and Ella W.....	Pratt
30	Warren Sherman Wheeler	Louis W. and Julia.....	Damon
Nov'r 30, 1907	Harold Francis Sheehan	Timothy M. and Florence G.....	Williams

The Town Clerk will furnish blanks for the returns required of physicians and parents and all persons interested are requested to notify him of any errors or omissions in the list of births, that they may be corrected and the records completed.

DEATHS REGISTERED IN NORWELL DURING THE YEAR 1908.

DATE	NAME	AGE			CAUSE OF DEATH	BIRTHPLACE	PLACE OF DEATH
		Y	M	D			
Jan.	1 Eliza L. Randall (Kelley).....	76	9	18	Lobar Pneumonia	Boston	Norwell
	6 Horace E. Boynton.....	10	8	27	Accidental drowning.....	Norwell	Norwell
	11 Freeman Litchfield.....	84	4	..	Valvular disease of heart	Scituate	Norwell
	11 Ellis F. Brown.....	54	..	..	La grippe, pneumonia	South Scituate	Norwell
	14 Julia M. Turner (Tilden).....	78	4	7	Apoplexy	Scituate	Brookton
	20 Seth Foster.....	77	11	6	Obstruction of Bowels, exhaustion	Scituate	Boston
	24 Almira Tildin (Litchfield).....	71	4	8	Cerebral disease.....	Scituate	Norwell
	29 Rosella N. Damon (Bennett) ..	77	3	2	Cerebral hemorrhage	—	Norwell
	30 Flora Brewster (Sherman).....	39	4	28	Puerperal Eclampsia	Marshfield	Norwell
	31 Elder William Brewster.....	..	..	2	Premature birth.....	Norwell	Norwell
Feb.	3 Jane Rose (Murphy)	77	9	9	Chronic nephritis, dilatation of heart	Boston	Boston
	7 Bertha Salome Stoddard.....	27	4	25	Cerebro spinal meningitis.....	South Scituate	No well
March	15 ——— Torrey.....	..	..	6	Uremia.....	Norwell	Norwell
	1 Zenas A. Howland.....	27	3	..	La grippe, heart disease	Scituate	Norwell
	4 Eunice Loring (Toomey).....	66	9	..	Val. heart disease, pul. congestion	Hanover	Norwell
April	5 Josiah W. Chamberlain.....	86	2	26	La grippe, heart disease	Hanover	Norwell
	21 Abigail Harlow (Wildor).....	90	10	..	Natural causes	Hingham	Norwell
	31 Mabel P. Jacobs [Harrison] ..	26	..	..	Cancer of uterus.....	Maine	Norwell
June	19 Althea Ewell [Oakman].....	96	..	22	Bronchitis.....	Marshfield	Norwell
	28 Eliza Nash.....	99	9	26	Cerebral hemorrhage, pneumonia.....	Scituate	Norwell
	11 Mildred Vernon Bray	3	8	13	Accidental burning.....	Hanover	Norwell
July	11 Maria H. Stoddard [Harding]	81	8	..	Nephritis, Fracture of femur.....	Maine	Norwell
	29 David Griffith	83	..	..	Enterocolitis.....	Norwell	Norwell
	30 ——— Henderson .....	..	..	2h	Premature delivery.....	Norwell	Norwell
Sept.	2 Francis M. Morgan	19	..	9	General paresis, cerebral abscess	Lowell	Norwell
	17 Robert P. Nichols	34	..	..	Typhoid fever, hem. of bowels	South Scituate	Norwell
Oct.	2 Carrie Smith [Wood]	36	..	..	Chronic nephritis.....	—	Norwell
	5 Caroline E. Barnard [Brownell]	68	8	3	Obstruction of bowels.....	Westport	Norwell
	7 Gordon L. Melcher .....	..	2	..	Cholera Infantum	Norwell	Norwell
Nov.	7 John Turner	79	..	6	Softening of brain.....	Scituate	Norwell

Nov.	9	Ezekiel E. Gunderway.....	68	3	..	Cerebral hemorrhage	Scituate	Norwell
	10	Sarah A. Studley.....	83	..	..	Cerebral hemorrhage	England	Norwell
	21	Lillian I. Bates.....	..	21	..	Marasmus.....	Norwell	Norwell
	24	Mary Quinn.....	46	..	..	Nephritis, bronchitis, erysipelas.....	Ireland	Boston
Dec.	28	Timothy B. Chapman.....	77	5	10	Val. disease of heart, convulsions	Hanover	Norwell

BROUGHT IN TOWN FOR BURIAL.

DATE OF DEATH	NAME	AGE		CAUSE OF DEATH	PLACE OF DEATH
		Y	M D		
1907					
Dec. 31	Rhoda V. Winslow.....	90	.. ..	Pneumonia.....	Hanover
1908					
Feb. 29	Emeline G. Sparrell.....	82	3 26	Angina pectoris.....	Worcester
March 9	Henry Albert Torrey.....	70	.. ..	Arterio sclerosis, nephritis.....	North Pembroke
May 11	Martha W. Little [Torrey].....	36	10 3	Pelvic abscess.....	Newton
July 19	Allen Bacon.....	77	.. ..	Natural causes.....	Rockland
August 17	Catherine W. Winslow.....	..	2 ..	Cholera infantum.....	Hingham
18	Herbert E. Litchfield.....	44	7 ..	Acute Phthisis.....	Weymouth
Nov. 9	Elizabeth C. Stewart.....	80	7 4	Pneumonia.....	Coliasset
17	Irving W. Smith.....	..	3 5	Congenital Stenosis.....	Weymouth
Dec. 19	William E. Potter.....	73	2 ..	Angina Pectoris.....	Plympton

Number of marriages, 9. Number of births, 28. Number of deaths, 35.

Respectfully submitted JOSEPH F. MERRITT, Town Clerk.

Report of Overseers of the Poor

ALMSHOUSE ACCOUNT

EXPENSES

Articles on hand Jan. 1, 1908	\$398 50
Charles E. Curtis	300 00
Samuel Olson, fish	46 56
H. S. Turner & Co., groceries	170 38
E. H. Sparrell, burial of Almira Tildin	25 00
E. H. Sparrell, burial of David Griffith	25 00
John Monahan, dry goods 1907	21 38
John Monahan, dry goods 1908	13 02
George F. Welch, coal	117 52
E. W. French, repairing shoes	1 40
J. F. Turner, labor	2 75
Curtis & Bates, groceries	168 52
Levi N. Osborn, stock and labor	2 00
William W. Cutler, provisions	36 39
Mrs. R. B. Lawrence, labor at house	3 15
Harry G. Pincin, hay and shoat	23 26
Harry S. Merritt, stock and labor	3 54
J. F. Merritt, hanging paper	5 65
Turner Bros., seed	4 20
Henry C. Ford, hay	8 00
Wm. C. Hammond, labor	11 75
A. J. Litchfield & Son, supplies	185 02
W. H. Spencer, repairing pump	25

George H. Turner, fertilizer	\$3 70
John P. Henderson, wood	17 50
Horace T. Fogg, insurance	22 50
Sparrell Bros., ice	11 79
R. W. McDonald, blacksmith work	6 25
C. W. Tildin, blacksmithing	8 35
H. J. Little, M. D., attendance	43 85
Articles bought for cash	10 00
L. Frank Hammond, hay	25 58

\$1,722 76

ALMSHOUSE RECEIPTS

Received from sale of eggs	\$41 10
Received from sale of one calf	8 65
Received from sale of one-half hog	14 40
Received from sale of one cow	10 00
Received from sale of vegetables	36 00
Received from sale of milk	67 00
Received cash	17 50
Due from board of horse	33 00
Due from Scituate, board and supplies of Edgar Fernald	166 90
Due from Scituate, board and supplies of Benjamin Mann	29 00
Articles on hand Jan. 1, 1909	365 25

\$788 80

Net cost of almshouse \$933 96
 Cost of each inmate per week \$3.49.

ARTICLES ON HAND JAN. 1, 1909

Hay	\$25 00	
Cow	40 00	
Horse	40 00	
Manure	40 00	
Wood	20 00	
Fowl	45 00	
Grain	2 50	
Potatoes	12 00	
Mangles	3 50	
Carrots	1 50	
Coal	21 00	
Pork	12 00	
Groceries	12 75	
Lumber and Farming Tools	90 00	
	<hr/>	\$365 25

OUT DOOR POOR

Benjamin Briggs and Family

A. J. Litchfield & Son, supplies	\$104 00	
South Scituate Savings Bank, interest on mortgage	9 00	
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Mary A. Gardner

John S. Brooks & Co., supplies	\$52 00	
H. J. Little, M. D.	28 00	
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Mrs. Evelyn M. Loring

Linscott & Bryant, supplies	\$53 31
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Lorenzo Cromwell and Family

H. J. Little, M. D.	\$24 50
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E. E. Gunderway

A. J. Litchfield & Son, supplies	\$44 00	
E. H. Sparrell, burial	29 00	
H. J. Little, M. D.	27 00	
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Eben Leavitt

H. J. Turner & Co., supplies	\$35 30
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Mrs. George Litchfield

Town of Weymouth, aid	\$6 00
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James H. Costello and Family

E. E. Stetson & Son, supplies	\$233 92	
Phillips, Bates & Co., coal	8 00	
Town of Hanover, medical aid	239 00	
	<hr/>	\$480 92

Arthur G. Lincoln

H. J. Little, M. D., medical aid	\$1 50	
Town of Rockland, medical aid	19 00	
Linscott & Bryant, supplies	9 14	
	<hr/>	\$29 64

Alonzo C. Sylvester

Curtis & Bates, supplies	\$38 00	
H. S. Turner & Co., supplies	20 00	
	<hr/>	\$58 00

James L. Prouty

Walter R. Torrey, interest on mortgage	\$8 00	
Jedediah Dwelley, interest on mortgage	36 00	
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Henry Fox

A. J. Litchfield & Son, supplies	\$9 09
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Alvin D. Vinal

George H. Vinal, board	\$28 00
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Emery Winslow

A. J. Litchfield & Son, supplies	40	
H. J. Little, M. D., medical aid	4 00	
	<hr/>	\$4 40

Mrs. J. F. Crocker

C. L. Howes, M. D., medical aid	\$9 00
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Mrs. Abigail B. Wilder

H. T. Fogg, interest on mortgage	\$13 50
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Henry W. Winslow

Town of Hingham Medical aid and burial of daughter	\$13 00
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AID TO PERSONS HAVING SETTLEMENT IN
OTHER TOWNS

Josiah W. Chamberlain, Holbrook

F. E. Henderson, wood	\$7 00	
Melvin Little, supplies	47 26	
Phillips, Bates & Co., coal	8 00	
Andrew T. Damon, opening grave	5 00	
C. W. and E. H. Sparrell, burial	25 00	
E. E. Stetson, medical supplies	1 50	
	————	\$93 76

Josephine Keene, Pembroke

H. J. Little M. D., medical aid	\$8 25
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Charles E. McPherson, Canton

A. J. Litchfield & Son, supplies	156 00	
H. J. Little, M. D., medical	20 00	
	————	\$176 00

William Hammond, Hanover

Curtis & Bates, supplies	\$12 00	
J. P. Henderson, wood	2 50	
	————	\$14 50

John Prince, Rockland

C. L. Howes, M. D., medical aid \$12 25

Chester Taylor, Scituate

H. J. Little, M. D., medical aid 2 00

Samuel Potter, State

C. L. Howes, M. D., medical aid \$8 50

Fred Griffin, State

H. J. Little, M. D., medical aid 2 00

SUMMARY OF POOR ACCOUNT

Total amount paid out door poor \$1,418 83

Net cost of almshouse 933 96

Due from other towns \$2,352 79
317 26

\$2,035 53

Appropriation \$2,000 00

Exceeded 35 53

ALPHEUS THOMAS,
EZRA E. STETSON,
WILLIAM D. TURNER,
Overseers of the Poor.

Town Officers

Horace T. Fogg, treasurer	\$150 00
Joseph F. Merritt, services as town clerk	\$75 00
Joseph F. Merritt, registrar of vo- ters and recording, 1907 and 1908	50 50
	<hr style="width: 10%; margin-left: auto; margin-right: 0;"/> 125 50
Alpheus Thomas, selectman, assessor and overseer of poor	76 00
Ezra E. Stetson, selectman, assessor and overseer of poor	155 00
Ernest H. Sparrell, selectman, assessor and overseer of poor	25 00
William D. Turner, selectman, assessor and overseer of poor	129 00
Mary E. Curtis, school committee	50 00
Benjamin Loring, school committee	25 00
George C. Turner, school committee	25 00
Andrew J. Litchfield, collector	225 00
Walter T. Osborn, constable	32 02
L. Frank Hammond, constable	20 00
Jesse M. Winslow, constable	6 50
J. Warren Foster, constable	14 50
J. Warren Foster, inspector of animals	34 50
Lester W. Osborn, special officer 1907	10 00
W. D. Turner, special officer 1907	2 50
William H. Appleford, registrar of voters	15 00

John H. Prouty, registrar of voters	\$15 00
Edward M. Sexton, registrar of voters	15 00
Election Officers, Charles Scully	6 00
Amos H. Tildin	6 00
Charles W. Thomas	6 00
Walter C. Barnard	3 00
Clifton S. Dean	3 00
John Whalen	3 00
Jeremiah H. Lehan	3 00
Frank W. Jones	20 00
Alpheus Damon, inspector of provisions	39 25
A. J. Litchfield, sealer of weights and measures	36 08

\$1,275 85

Appropriation	\$1,300 00
Received from state — Inspection of animals	17 25

\$1,317 25

Balance

\$41 40

State Aid Paid in 1908

Peter Ainslie	\$60 00
Charles D. Barnard	72 00
David Bassford	72 00
Amanda Bassford	48 00
Amanda Coleman	48 00
Abbie F. Coleman	48 00
Timothy B. Chapman	72 00
Josiah W. Chamberlain	72 00
Martha W. Curtis	48 00
Sarah T. David	28 00
Maria B. Damon	48 00
Lucy Damon	48 00
Frank Dyer	48 00
Daniel R. Ewell	72 00
Mathias French	72 00
Diana Freeman	48 00
Sarah Hatch	48 00
George A. Hatch	60 00
Lydia Hatch	48 00
John H. Howard	48 00
Lebbeus Leach	72 00
Charles M. Leavitt	48 00
William H. Morse	48 00
William O. Merritt	60 00
Howard F. Mann	4 00
Benjamin B. Poole	12 00

William H. Rand	\$36 00
David P. Robinson	36 00
Harriet Raymond	48 00
William E. Stone	72 00
Edwin Studley	72 00
Mary Shepherd	48 00
Rebecca H. Totman	48 00
John F. Totman	72 00
George O. Torrey	72 00
Susan A. Tolman	48 00
James Taylor	36 00
James H. Williams	72 00
John S. Whitney	72 00
Esther M. Young	48 00

\$2,132 00

Approved by and due from the State \$2,132 00

Soldiers' Relief

Albion Snowdale

Aid	\$30 00
Charles Hammond, M. D.	12 00
C. L. Howes, M. D.	3 50
Phillips, Bates & Co., coal	8 00

\$53 50

J. Warren Chamberlain, Jr.

Mrs. Nellie S. Snowdale, nursing	\$19 00
William S. Simmons, wood	13 00

\$32 00

David Bassford and Wife

C. L. Howes, M. D.	\$243 75
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Benjamin Lee

F. E. Henderson, wood	\$10 50
Town of Hanover, medical aid	2 25

\$12 75

\$342 00

Snow Account.

WEST WARD.

Joseph Briggs	\$9 87
Benj. Loring	21 00
C. E. Brewster	21 50
Walter Simmons	15 37
Arthur Damon, 6 hours at 25c	1 50
W. H. Farrar, 5 hours at 25c	1 25
A. J. Farr, 4 hours at 25	1 00
B. Loring, 4 hours at 25c	1 00
E. C. Jacobs, 8 hours at 25c	2 00
Alden Damon, 6 1-2 hours at 25c	1 63
L. Bowker, 3 1-2 hours at 25c	88
A. W. Thomas, 3 hours at 25c	75
Wallace Damon, 6 hours at 25c	1 50
Wm. Pratt, 5 hours at 25c	1 25
Frank Osborne, 4 hours at 25c	1 00
Wm. G. Collamore, 9 hours at 25c	2 25
Albion Damon, 5 hours at 25c	1 25
Lyman Lincoln, 5 1-2 hours at 25c	1 37
R. N. Leavitt, 5 hours at 25c	1 25
S. A. Ward, 5 hours at 25	1 25
James H. Leavitt, 3 hours at 25c	75
Harry T. Leavitt, 4 hours at 25c	1 00
Elmer N. Leavitt, 5 hours at 25c	1 25
Frank Jones, 7 1-2 at 25	1 87
Wm. Culter, 5 hours at 25c	1 25

Arthur Degegnar, 5 hours at 25c	1 25
T. Sheehan, 8 hours at 25c	2 00
Man & Horse 22 1-2 hours at 50c	11 25
C. H. Baker, 7 1-2 hours at 25c	1 88
C. H. Tilden, snow plow	23 00
George H. Bates, 3 hours at 25c	75

\$135 12

EAST WARD

E. P. Joseph	\$38 50
William Cutler	1 25
Lyman Lincoln	1 25
Howard Delano	3 37
Charles Bates, Jr.	50
Antonio Rezendes	75
Carlton O. Litchfield	2 25
Austin Lincoln	2 25

\$50 12

SOUTH WARD

F. E. Henderson	\$20 00
James Winslow	68
Jesse Winslow	1 00
Clarence Winslow	1 00
Charles Smith	87
James Smith	1 25
Robert Smith	1 25
William Gardner	1 25
John Prince	1 00
Edward L. Lehan	2 25
E. A. Jacobs	16 62
A. C. Sylvester	1 75
Edward Winslow	1 75

Alexander Black	1 75	
Wm. E. Sexton	1 75	
Ansel Phillips	2 00	
George W. Barrell	1 25	
L. Frank Hammond	50	
Calvin Talbot	50	
O. W. Lambert	1 00	
Frank N. Studley	2 25	
J. T. McLauthlin	1 00	
Thos. Appleford	2 25	
Arthur Montgomery	1 06	
Fred H. Kidder	1 00	
Walter C. Barnard	1 00	
J. Frank Turner, snow plow	23 00	
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		\$90 98
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Total		\$276 22
Appropriation	\$200 00	
Street Railway Excise Tax	282 99	
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		482 99
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Balance		\$206 77

Taxes Abated

Arthur Cobbett	\$2 00
Henry F. Ford, soldier	8 80
Joseph Griffin	2 00
Arthur G. Lincoln	2 00
William H. Morse	2 00
James L. Prouty	21 60
William A. Pratt	2 00
Henry L. Studley	2 00
Edwin R. Studley, soldier	6 50
John Sheehan	2 00
Benjamin Briggs	12 80
Henry L. Brown, soldier	2 00
H. T. Fogg, overtaxed	8 00
George S. Hatch	1 60
Willard S. Higgins	2 00
Fred Mason	4 00
Ansel Phillips	2 00
Joseph J. Shepherd	2 00
John F. Totman	2 00
Samuel A. Lester, soldier	1 60
Elizabeth E. Adams	48
Robert S. Brown	2 00
Josiah W. Chamberlain, soldier	3 60
Mrs. Charles B. Hatch	2 40
Harry McDonald, overtaxed	1 40
J. Howard Packard	80
John H. Prince	2 00
James Smith estate	4 80

Albion Snowdale, soldier	\$2 56
Arthur L. Smith	2 00
Charles W. Smith, soldier	4 00
James H. Williams, soldier	2 00
Emery S. Winslow	2 00
Alden Briggs	08
Melissa Cushing	08
Samuel Cushing heirs	08
William Church	08
Anthony Collamore	08
Robert E. Dwelley	08
Mrs. Charles H. Merritt	08
Charles E. Nott	08
A. R. Phillips	08
Joshua Studley	08
Michael Sylvester	03
Henry M. Stetson	08
Joseph E. Thompson	08
Sophia Turner	08
J. C. Whitman	08
Edward Berry	6 00
J. P. Merrill, overtaxed	8 16
John Corthell, soldier	2 00
Albert T. Smith, soldier	4 00
Gustavus Totman	4 88
Alonzo C. Sylvester	4 88
Lorenzo Cromwell	4 00
Charles Barnard, soldier	2 00
Edwin Reeves	2 00
Franklin Torrey	602 00

\$760 00

Appropriation \$150 00

Exceeded

\$610 00

Gypsy and Browntail Moth.

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J. H. Sparrell, labor,	\$461 58
E. H. Sparrell, team	56 50
Alber Merritt, labor	217 51
Edgar F. Pooie, labor	8 21
E. F. Freeman, labor	10 67
A. C. Sylvester, labor	66 11
Chas. H. Jones, labor	43 11
Chas. H. Baker, labor	89 00
Wm. O. Henderson, labor	175 31
Amos H. Tilden, labor	84 24
Frank Baker, labor	45 50
Walter J. Wagner, labor	38 25
George A. Bates, labor	152 63
Arthur Degegnar, labor	22 00
Lyman Lincoln, labor	22 00
Edward F. Winslow labor	24 00
Wm. C. Hammond, labor	12 00
Frank H. Osborne, labor	12 00
Fred A. Stoddard, labor	218 13
Elwyn E. Tilden, labor	102 63
Fred M. Curtis, labor	104 39
James E. Stoddard, labor	210 75
Lawrence G. Turner, labor	50 75
Claude Ainslee, labor	30 75

Joseph F. Totman, labor	12 00
Chas. Bates, labor	12 00
Wm. C. Cutler, labor	8 00
Paid for team, labor	258 75
Collins Hardware Co., supplies	6 42
A. J. Wilkinson, supplies	5 25
A. J. Litchfield & Son, supplies	14 52
R. B. McKim, supplies	7 38
Joseph Breck & Sons, supplies	8 83
Phillips Bates & Co., supplies	3 00
George F. Welch, supplies	5 05
Wm. H. Claflin & Co., burlap and twine	93 11
Samuel Cabot, creosote	2 80
Chas. H. Baker, filing saws	1 20
A. W. Thomas, filing saws	1 15
A. F. Jacobs, filing saws	1 40
H. S. Merritt, filing saws	1 15
C. W. Tilden, hanging axes	60
R. W. Macdonald, repairs	3 35
N. Y. & B. Des. Ex. Co., express and carting	3 90
Carrie M. Ford, printing	1 50
H. L. Frost, spraying	124 40
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Total expenditure	\$2,833 78
Total amount charged property owners	\$199 73
Town liability	\$349 23
Amt. received from state to balance	\$2,284 82

JOHN H. SPARRELL
Local Supt.

Town Incidentals

A. L. MacMillan, M. D., returning births	\$1 50
A. W. Totman, expressing	3 00
Standard Publishing Co., printing	138 00
Thomas Groom & Co., printing order books	9 75
T. J. Edwards, rubber stamps	33
Norwell Post Office, stamps	22 26
Carrie M. Ford, printing	18 00
J. L. Fairbanks & Co., cash box	3 50
A. W. Brownell, printing	2 75
C. L. Howes, M. D., returning births	1 00
E. E. Stetson, repairs on guide boards	1 25
W. H. Spencer, repairs on pump	1 50
W. C. Soule, repairs on town clerk's safe	2 00
Southern Mass. Telephone Co., tolls	3 98
Charles Hammond, M. D., returning birth	25
C. H. Baker, repairs on pump Dist. No. 2	3 00
Helen T. Fogg, use of safe vault	10 00
C. F. Damon, supplies for fire extinguishers	2 64
C. W. & E. H. Sparrell, returning deaths	6 25
H. J. Little, M. D., returning births	2 00
B. P. Stetson, stock and labor on fountain, Delano Hill	5 00
W. O. Prouty, watering trough Dist. No. 1	8 20
A. J. Litchfield, collector, stamps and stationery	14 00
Frank Thomas, stock service	2 00
A. J. Litchfield & Son, supplies for town office	1 30

Joseph Frame, M. D., returning birth	\$ 25
William H. Appleford, fire ward 1907	3 00
Melvin Little, services Barstow fire 1907	2 00
Circuit street fire, Ansel Phillips,	1 93
E. A. Jacobs	1 92
Bertram Randall	70
Harry Merritt	70
Richmond Litchfield	70
Allen P. Merritt	87
George W. Barrell	1 05
Elm street fire, Hanover Fire Co.	1 35
Melvin Little	2 05
Raleigh Barker	1 75
John Appleford	1 75
Robert Smith	70
John Knapp	1 75
H. Sproul	35
Jesse Winslow	35
Arthur Dyer	52
Theodore Dyer	52
H. H. Howland	1 00
F. E. Henderson	1 40
George Morton	70
Joseph Tolman	35
Valley swamp fire, A. W. Thomas	7 00
Alpheus Thomas	2 10
George H. Bates	70
F. Bent	2 10
C. W. Thomas	2 10
W. Jones	1 40
A. H. Penniman	1 40
Grove street fire, David D. Sprague	1 05
Arthur Damon	1 05
Lincoln street fire,	
Charles Jones	4 72

Green street fire, George E. Sylvester	\$3 85	
Walter S. Briggs	3 85	
Harold, Sexton	1 75	
Wilbur Sylvester	1 75	
J. H. Sparrell	1 05	
F. M. Curtis	1 05	
James L. Merritt	1 05	
Frank E. Studley	1 05	
Thomas street fire, Clarence Hook	1 05	
Walter J. Wagner	1 05	
Grove street fire,		
Henry A. Pratt	1 05	
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Total		\$333 29
Appropriations		<hr/> 500 00
Balance		\$166 71

Highways

WEST WARD—JOSEPH BRIGGS

J. Briggs, man and horse, 28 hours at 42c	11 76
Cash paid out	3 34
Joseph Briggs, 19 days at \$2.50	47 50
Man and 4 horses, 35 hours at \$1.04 1-2	36 57
Man and 2 horses, 125 hours at 62 1-2c	78 10
Man and horse, 29 hours at 42c	12 18
Coal for engine	15 32
Benjamin Loring and oxen, 48 hours at 62 1-2c	30 00
Man and horse, 56 hours at 62 1-2c	35 00
E. G. Bates and 2 horses, 16 hours at 62 1-2c	10 00
J. Freeman and 2 horses, 16 hours at 62 1-2c	10 00
F. E. Henderson	
3 men and 6 horses, 8 hours at \$1.87 1-2	15 00
William Farrar and 2 horses, 48 hours at 62 1-2c	30 00
Alden Damon, 86 1-2 hours at 25c	21 63
Aibion Damon, 168 hours at 25c	42 00
William G. Collamore, 164 hours at 25c	41 00
Henry L. Studley, 93 hours at 25c	23 25
Charles Curtis, 94 hours at 25c	23 50
William Cutler, 8 hours at 25c	2 00

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George H. Bates, 16 hours at 25c	4 00
Fred Harris, 16 hours at 25c	4 00
James Dunbar, 49 1-2 hours at 25c	12 37
William Gunderway, 16 hours at 25c	4 00
George E. Sylvester, 8 hours at 25c	2 00
George W. Bailey, 152 1-2 hours at 25c	38 13
B. Parker Nichols, 51 hours at 25c	12 75
John Gunderway, 13 hours at 25c	3 25
Alpheus Damon, 50 1-2 hours at 25c	12 63
Charles H. Wilder and horse, 38 1-2 hours at 42c	16 17
Horse, 12 hours at 21c	2 52
Timothy Sheehan, 142 1-2 hours at 25c	35 63
Man and horse, 74 hours at 42c	31 08
E. C. Briggs, 38 hours at 25c	9 50
O. H. Burhoff, 21 hours at 25c	5 25
E. C. Jacobs, 64 hours at 25c	16 00
E. C. Jacobs and horse, 21 hours at 42c	8 82
W. S. Briggs, 12 hours at 25c	3 00
W. S. Briggs and horse, 64 hours at 42c	26 88
C. W. Pincin, 28 hours at 25c	7 00
C. W. Pincin and horse, 48 hours at 42c	20 16
J. Frank Crane, 9 days at \$3.00	27 00
Victor Chapman, 40 hours at 25c	10 00
M. J. Kane, lumber and posts	1 70
A. J. Litchfield & Son, shovels	1 60
H. E. Fairbanks, barrels	1 00
Mary E. Veasey, 85 loads gravel at 6c	5 10
Mrs. E. Johnson, 64 loads gravel at 6c	3 84
Bessie E. Parr, 216 loads gravel at 6c	12 96
J. Brown, 48 loads gravel at 6c	2 88
Hall & Torrey, 10 10-inch tile	3 70
William J. Hayden, 6 1-2 hours at 25c	1 63

\$834 70

SOUTH WARD—F. E. HENDERSON.

Francis E. Henderson, 18 days at \$2.50	\$45 00
Three men and 6 horses, 6 days	90 00
Two men and four horses, 6 days	60 00
One man and two horses 8 1-2 days	42 50
One man and 1 horse, 16 hours	6 72
Two horses, 43 hours	18 06
One horse, 12 hours	2 52
Two men, 6 days	24 00
One man, 7 1-2 days	15 00
Frank Hammond	
One man and two horses, 11 days,	29 78
4 1-2 hours	57 81
Charles Smith, 1 man and horse, 16 hours	6 72
T. Appleford, 1 man and horse, 29 hours	12 02
Chas. Macomber, 1 man and horse,	
134 1-2 hours	56 26
Albert Osborne, 1 man and horse, 40 hours	16 80
Walter Briggs, 1 man and horse, 32 hours	13 44
J. Frank Crane, 11 days	33 00
Frank Hammond, 4 days 3 1-2 hours	8 75
Charles Simmons, 76 hours	19 00
Charles Simmons repairing railing	3 50
Robert Smith, 140 hours	35 00
Charles Smith, 156 hours	39 00
James Smith, 122 hours	30 50
Frank Dyer, 38 hours	9 50
Ralph Gardner, 46 hours	11 50
W. R. Barker, 46 hours	11 50
Geo. Chamberlain, 154 hours	38 50
Robert Henderson, 78 hours	19 50
Albion Snowdale, 136 hours	34 00
A. P. Sylvester, 24 hours	6 00
E. A. Jacobs, labor	7 30
Aleck Black, 27 hours	5 83

Richard Winslow, 30 hours	7 50
Howard Packard, 33 hours	8 25
Chas. Macomber, 16 hours	4 00
James Studley, 23 hours	5 75
Henry T. Gunderway, 140 hours	35 00
W. N. Gardner, 52 hours	13 00
T. Appleford, 8 hours	2 00
H. P. Henderson, 8 hours	2 00
Harold Sexton, 48 hours	12 00
H. N. Magoun, pipe	11 16
Fred Capell, labor on railing	16 13
Geo. Welch, material for railing	23 27
Gilbert West, gravel	13 75
E. E. Stetson, gravel	75
Repairs, etc.	3 65
Phillips, Bates & Co. Coal	9 11

Total

\$946 55

EAST WARD—E. P. JOSEPH.

E. P. Joseph, 27 1-2 days at \$2.50	\$68 75
Six horses and 3 men, 9 days at \$15	135 00
Four horses and 2 men, 14 days at \$10	140 00
Three horses and man, one day at \$6.50	6 50
Two horses and man, 14 days at \$5	70 00
Horse 40 1-2 hours at 16 2-3c	6 75
Four men 14 days at \$8	112 00
Two men 10 days at \$4	40 00
Jesse Reed and 2 horses 6 days at \$5	30 00
Carleton Litchfield and 2 horses 7 days at \$5	35 00
George Turner and 2 horses 5 days at \$5	25 00
Joseph Hatch and 2 horses 6 days at \$5	30 00

Henry Ford and 2 horses 12 days at \$5	\$60 00
John Burns and 2 horses 2 days at \$5	10 00
John A. Evans and 2 horses 2 days at \$5	10 00
Lyman Lincoln, 6 days at \$2	12 00
Joseph Totman, 9 days at \$2	18 00
Frank Osborn, 6 days at \$2	12 00
William Cutler, 6 days at \$2	12 00
J. M. Read, 6 days at \$2	12 00
Samuel Brown, 6 days at \$2	12 00
A. Black, 28 days and 2 hours at \$2	56 50
Caleb Litchfield, 2 days at \$2	4 00
C. G. Ainslie, 4 days at \$2	8 00
John Whalen, 4 days at \$2	8 00
Elmer Leavitt, 3 days at \$2	6 00
Walter Wagner, 6 days at \$2	12 00
Alonzo Sylvester, 5 days and 3 hours at \$2	10 75
Walter Jacobs, 1-2 day at \$2	1 00
Wallace Henderson, 3-4 of a day at \$2	1 50
James L. Merritt, 7 1-2 days and 1-2 hour at \$2	15 12
Harry Merritt, 2 days and 1 hour at \$2	4 25
Albert Merritt, 6 days and 1 hour at \$2	12 25
Russell Walker, 4 days at \$3	12 00
H. Leavitt, 2 days at \$2	4 00
A. H. Tilden, 4 days at \$2	8 00
Frank Burns, 2 days at \$2	4 00
Harold Osborne, 1 day at \$2	2 00
Albert Osborne, 1 1-2 days at \$2	3 00
William O. Clapp, gravel	23 80
Mrs. John Burns, gravel	5 04
John A. Evans, gravel	1 38
Mrs. Veasey, gravel	11 22
George F. Welch, supplies	10 80
George F. Welch, drain pipe	7 60
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	\$1,089 21
Orders drawn East Ward	895 46
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Due East Ward	\$193 75

GENERAL HIGHWAY ACCOUNT

Goods Road Machine Co., supplies for stone crusher	\$14 25	
George F. Welch, lumber for crusher	9 50	
George E. Sylvester, painting engine house and boiler	45 41	
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		\$69 16

SUMMARY OF HIGHWAY ACCOUNTS

South Ward	\$946 55	
West Ward	834 70	
East Ward	1,089 21	
General Account	69 16	
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		\$2,939 62
Appropriation	\$2,500 00	
	2,939 62	
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Due East Ward for labor	\$193 75	
Exceeded		\$439 62

Assessors' Report

Value of buildings	\$465,210 00
Value of land	232,604 00
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	\$697,814 00
Value of personal property	169,179 00
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Total valuation, 1908	\$866,993 00
Total valuation 1907	873,069 00
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Decrease	\$6,076 00
State tax	\$1,705 00
County tax	1,412 59
Town tax	14,000 00
Number of polls assessed 483	
Number of persons assessed 950	
Number assessed poll tax only 144	
Horses assessed 339	
Cows assessed 192	
Sheep assessed 42	
Neat cattle, other than cows, assessed 22	
Swine assessed 48	
Foul assessed 7,175	
Dwelling houses assessed 480	
Acres land assessed 10,872 5-8	
Assessor's warrant to collector	\$15,011 20
Street railway excise tax	282 99

List of Jurors

Robert C. Henderson	Cutter
Amos H. Tildin	Farmer
Carlton O. Litchfield	Farmer
John Whalen	Farmer
James L. Litchfield	Teamer
John H. Prouty	Real Estate
Theophilus Appleford	Farmer
Asa W. Robinson	Shoeworker
Harrison Wilder	Retired
George H. Tisdale	Stitcher
Alonzo B. Whiting	Clerk
William O. Prouty	Carpenter
Clarence O. Hook	Painter
Alpheus Damon	Retired
Frank Vining	Shoeworker
John H. Sparrell	Ice Dealer
Frederick H. Kidder	Clergyman
Frank E. Studley	Shoeworker
Joseph H. Hatch	Farmer
John F. Turner	Carpenter
Joshua R. Barker	Retired
Ezra E. Stetson	Provision Dealer
Alpheus W. Thomas	Shoeworker
George A. Turner	Carpenter
Joseph H. Corthell	Retired
George C. Turner	Farmer

Miscellaneous

CEMETERY

Phillips, Bates & Co., supplies	\$3 00	
J. H. Curtiss, labor	27 85	
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		\$30 85
Appropriation		50 00
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Unexpended		\$19 15

BOARD OF HEALTH

J. Frank Gear, supplies	\$3 00	
F. H. Kidder, services	2 00	
H. J. Little, M. D., services	12 00	
A. J. Mitchell, expressing	60	
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		\$17 60
Appropriation		50 00
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Unexpended		\$32 40

SCHOOL PHYSICIANS

Appropriation	\$50 00
Expenditures, none	

TREE WARDEN

Lincoln Elms, trees and setting	\$15 00	
F. M. Curtis, labor	6 50	
J. H. Sparrell, labor	9 00	
Melvin Little, labor	12 00	
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		\$42 50
Appropriation		50 00
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Unexpended		\$7 50

TOWN HALL

Curtis & Bates, supplies	\$2 51	
L. F. Hammond, janitor	30 00	
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		\$32 51
No appropriation		

SQUARES AND TRIANGLES

Paid Treas. Church Hill Improvement Society	\$18 75	
Paid W. C. Barnard, work in Gaffield Park	20 00	
Paid A. Black, work on Triangles and Common	41 58	
Paid Austin Lincoln, work at Mt. Blue	5 00	
Paid E. A. Jacobs, material and carting	8 50	
Paid W. T. Sylvester, use of oxen	1 00	
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		\$94 83

RECEIVED PERSONAL CONTRIBUTIONS AS FOLLOWS ;

A. J. Litchfield, Jr.	\$1 00	
H. E. Robbins	1 00	
H. S. Turner	1 00	
Mrs. Sarah Hunt	50	
W. E. Ennis	50	
Miss Spooner	25	
Mrs. Helen Fogg	1 00	
Mrs. Gaffield	2 00	
Miss Caroline Turner	1 00	
H. T. Fogg	2 00	
W. D. Turner	1 00	
J. F. Merritt	1 00	
J. H. Corthell	1 00	
E. H. Sparrell	1 00	
J. H. Lehan	75	
Town appropriations	75 00	
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		\$90 00
Exceeded	\$4 80	

SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES' ACCOUNT

D. W. Ross, cleaning weights and measures	\$1 75
Hobbs & Warren Co., sealer's weight and measure record	2 50
W. & L. E. Gurley, scales, weights and measures	118 81
W. & L. E. Gurley, portable drill	3 60

Malden Specialty Co., marking acid	1 50
W. & L. E. Gurley, supplies	4 24

Appropriation	\$132 40
	108 00

Exceeded	\$24 40
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REPORT OF SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES.

To the Selectmen :

Number of Platform Scales Sealed	12
Number of Platform Scales Adjusted	1
Number of Computing Scales Sealed	1
Number of all other Scales Sealed	46
Number of all other Scales Adjusted	7
Number of all other Scales Condemned	5
Number of Weights Sealed	168
Number of Weights Adjusted	79
Number of Dry Measures Sealed	73
Number of Dry Measures Condemned	6
Number of Liquid Measures Sealed	62
Number of Liquid Measures Condemned	4
Number of Linear Measures Sealed	6

ANDREW J. LITCHFIELD, JR.,
Sealer

LOCATION OF FIRE EXTINGUISHERS.

WEST WARD

Alpheus W. Thomas, Charles W. Thomas, Clifford Brett,
Charles N. Gardner, Town Hall, Joseph Briggs, No. 1
School House, Curtis Bros., Benjamin Loring.

SOUTH WARD

George E. Torrey, Frank Dyer, Joseph Tolman, Arthur L. Toppan, William Tolman, Melvin Little, Francis E. Henderson.

EAST WARD

Jesse Reed, Atwood L. Ford, John Whalen, A. J. Litchfield & Son, Curtis & Bates, H. S. Turner & Co., Town Farm (two).

Tax Collector's Report

Andrew J. Litchfield in account with town of Norwell :

DR.

To F. Torrey tax, 1906	\$602 00
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CR.

By F. Torrey tax, abated	\$602 00
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DR.

To outstanding taxes of 1907	\$3,660 43
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CR.

By amount paid treasurer to July 1908	\$3,030 28
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By cash deposited with treasurer July,	
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1908, to relieve bondsmen	630 15
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	\$3,660 43
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1907 taxes outstanding Jan. 16, 1909 as per list printed	
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	\$225 84
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DR.

To 1908 Assessment	\$15,011 20	
To 1908 excise tax	282 99	
To interest collected on taxes	100 85	
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		\$15,395 04

CR.

By amount paid treasurer	\$11,033 38	
By interest paid treasurer	100 85	
By excise tax paid treasurer	282 99	
By 1908 taxes outstanding	3,977 82	
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		\$15,395 04

Respectfully submitted,

ANDREW J. LITCHFIELD,
Collector.

1907 Taxes, Outstanding Jan. 1908

Hatherly Ainslie	\$2 00
Mary H. Ainslie	9 76
Ellery F. Ainslie	3 60
John B. Bresnahan	2 00
James E. Cobbett	2 00
Leon B. Cobbett	2 00
James Dunbar	2 00
James J. Farrar	2 00
William H. Delano	2 00
William H. Farrar	10 00
Lawrence A. Griffin	2 80
John Gunderway	8 00
John H. Howard	2 00
Frank R. Kenyon	2 00
Oscar W. Lambert	2 00
Patrick McNiccol	16 80
Carlton M. Pinsin	3 20
Arthur J. Parr	3 20
Lemuel L. Phipps	2 00
Gustavus Totman	2 80
Charles F. Tisdale	2 00
Mrs. Martha E. House	16 96
Louis B. Whiting	2 00
Samuel Ward	2 00
Briggs & Co.	08
Edward E. Brewster	1 60
John J. Burns	2 40

Alexander Blaisdell	I	44
John F. Caswell	I	60
Davis Cushing		40
C. S. Emerson		40
Enoch Johnson	3	84
Almira Lane	10	24
Levi Lincoln	4	88
Francis Merritt		48
Robert N. Norris		64
Sarah J. Rudd heirs	14	40
Elizabeth B. Stockbridge		16
Charles T. Stockbridge		80
Perez Simmons heirs	11	52
Reuben Thomas heirs		32
Alvin A. Vinal	16	24
Mrs. Harry Wright heirs		80
Charles H. Bates	2	00
John T. Hatch	2	00
G. M. H. Litchfield assignees	4	80
Allen P. Merritt	2	00
Hosea L. Stetson	3	20
D. Oscar Wagner	4	00
Snow Bryant		24
J. E. Cushman	2	80
John M. Danforth	I	20
Geo. O. Jenkins		56
Charles H. Northey	I	04
George H. Pollard	2	40
George E. Reed	6	40
Walter S. Torrey heirs		80
Charles D. Barnard	2	00
Lorenzo Cromwell	2	00
Edgar E. Lee	2	00
William Latour	2	00
James H. Patterson heirs	6	16
Louis Biladeu		40
Rufus Darling		48

Report of the Town Treasurer

RECEIPTS.

From Andrew J. Litchfield, collector of taxes

Assessment of 1907	\$3,434 59
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Balance of assessment of 1907 un- paid, and amount deposited in treasury	225 84
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Real and personal taxes, assessment of 1908	10,523 38
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Poll taxes, assessment of 1908	510 00
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Street railway excise tax 1908	282 99
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Interest on overdue taxes	100 85
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\$15,077 65

From Arthur B. Chapin, state treasurer

Corporation tax	\$3,005 12
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National Bank tax	973 58
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Street railway tax	196 75
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\$4,175 45

From various sources as stated for general purposes

Interest on bank balances	\$55 70
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Licenses and sundries	23 75
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Rent of Town hall and Schoolhouse	12 50
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Superintendent of almshouse	166 69
Second District Court fines	17 10
Sale of lots in cemetery	34 00
Sealer of weights and measures	10 67

\$320 41

From various sources as stated for school purposes only

County of Plymouth, dog tax 1907	\$365 11
Commonwealth of Massachusetts, income state school fund	1,229 99
Tuition of children	226 50
High school tuition	500 00
Superintendent of schools	416 67
High School Improvement society	1 00

\$2,739 27

From various sources as stated for purposes as stated

Individual aid to poor refunded	\$25 25
Town of Holbrook, aid to poor	270 99
Town of Canton, aid to poor	161 00
Town of Pembroke, aid to poor	27 00
Town of Scituate, aid to poor	173 90
Town of Rockland, aid to poor	7 50
Town of Cohasset, aid to poor	47 75
Town of Marshfield, Union bridge	66 80
Contributions for squares and triangles	15 00

Commonwealth of Massachusetts

State aid	2,150 00
Inspector of animals	17 25
Gypsy moth account	2,798 98

\$5,761 42

South Scituate Savings Bank, anticipa-
tion of taxes

\$6,000 00

Cash on hand Jan. 18, 1908

1,546 96

\$35,621 16

PAYMENTS

Highway account 1907

\$15 84

Highway account 1908

2,796 82

Public Squares

93 83

Removing snow

231 85

\$3,138 34

Almshouse account 1907

81 55

Almshouse account 1908

1,267 31

Outdoor poor 1907

3 75

Outdoor poor 1908

1,409 58

\$2,762 19

State Aid 1907

\$4 00

State Aid 1908

2,105 00

Military Aid and Soldiers' Relief

339 25

\$2,448 25

Support of Schools

\$9,224 09

State School Fund

416 19

\$9,640 28

Town Officer Account 1907

12 50

Town Officer Account 1908

1,292 85

Police Officers Second District Court

61 14

\$1,366 49

Suppression of gypsy moths	\$2,924 04	
Tree warden account	<u>42 50</u>	
		\$2,966 54
Sealer of weights and measures		\$132 40
Incidentals 1907	2 10	
Incidentals and sundry accounts 1908	<u>487 97</u>	
		\$490 07
Post 112, G. A. R.		\$100 00
Abatement of taxes	\$320 44	
Scituate tax	5 70	
County tax	1,412 59	
State tax	<u>1,705 00</u>	
		\$3,443 73
Notes and interest paid		
Time note due March 15, 1908	\$1,000 00	
Interest on time loan, 1908	115 00	
Interest on A. T. Otis poor fund note	52 00	
Interest on coffin fund note	80 00	
Anticipation notes 1908	6,000 00	
Interest on same	<u>221 65</u>	
		\$7,468 65
Cash on hand Jan. 16, 1909		
General funds	\$1,335 43	
State school fund	<u>328 79</u>	
		\$1,664 22
		<u>\$35,621 16</u>

In submitting the above report as Town Treasurer for the year ending December 31, 1908, I desire to express my appreciation of the many courtesies shown me during the past twelve years, and to state that I shall not be a candidate for re-election.

HORACE T. FOGG,
Treasurer

Report of the Forest Warden

Notwithstanding the extreme and long continued drought of last season there were very few fires in town.

Several small blazes that started were put out without much trouble except two, one off Elm street, and one near the Hingham line. The loss to property was very slight. This was due in a measure to the fact that the fires were discovered early and the alarm quickly given by means of the telephone, which is proving a great factor in the suppression of forest fires. We have no adequate means of dealing with a fire once it gets a good start in a dry season, and the early discovery of a blaze means a saving of money to the town. The warden would recommend the purchase of a few more extinguishers of some standard make, some fire brooms, buckets and shovels to be placed in different parts of the town in charge of deputy wardens, those who have telephones, if possible, to be available for immediate use. The residents of the extreme south and west parts of the town are within easy reach of the Hanover Fire Department, but the other sections are not so fortunate, as it would take some time for any outside help to reach us. In the early stages of a fire a few men provided with extinguishers and shovels will do the work of many when a woods fire gets well under way, and as the laws are at the present time, a large force of men would mean expense for the town.

At the annual meeting the voters will have to decide whether they will adopt the law forbidding the setting of fires in the open between the first of April and the first of

December without the written permission of the forest warden. This law is intended for the protection of forest and sprout land, and in a slightly different form has been in use in many towns for several years. It does not prevent a person from burning garden rubbish or leaves on ploughed ground two hundred feet from woodland, without a permit. The total cost of fighting wood fires since March 30, 1908, including supplies purchased, is \$59.35.

I hope the town will appropriate \$125 to purchase additional extinguishers and other fire apparatus this year so that we may gradually secure a reasonable outfit for the protection of our homes and woodland.

JOSEPH F. MERRITT,
Forest Warden

Report of Trustees.

THIRTY-FIRST ANNUAL REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES OF THE COFFIN POOR FUND.

Amount of fund		\$2,000 00
Loaned on town note at 4 per cent.		
In Savings Bank Jan. 1, 1908	\$76 24	
Cash on hand Jan. 1, 1908	25 16	
Interest on bank book	2 76	
Interest on note	80 00	
	<hr/>	\$184 16
 Paid worthy poor	 \$17 70	
Cash on hand Jan. 1, 1909	87 46	
In bank Jan. 1, 1909	58 50	
Paid care cemetery lot	20 50	
	<hr/>	\$184 16

TWENTY-THIRD ANNUAL REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES OF THE ABIGAIL T. OTIS CEMETERY AND TOMB FUNDS.

Amount of funds	\$1,500 00	
Interest on deposit Jan. 1, 1908	252 17	
Interest to Jan. 1, 1909	70 44	
	<hr/>	\$1,822 61

Paid for cemetery repairs	\$79 14	
Care of lots and flowers	25 00	
Interest on deposit Jan. 1, 1909	218 47	
Amount of funds	<u>1,500 00</u>	
		\$1,822 61

TWENTY-THIRD ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

TRUSTEES OF THE A. T. OTIS POOR FUND.

Loaned on town note	\$1,300 00	
In Savings Bank	<u>700 00</u>	
Amount of fund		\$2,000 00

In Savings Bank Jan. 1, 1908	\$96 35	
Cash on hand Jan. 1, 1908	60 26	
Interest on bank book	32 16	
Interest on town note	<u>52 00</u>	
		\$240 77

Paid worthy poor	\$40 00	
In bank Jan. 1, 1909	128 51	
Cash on hand	<u>72 26</u>	
		\$240 77

TWENTIETH ANNUAL REPORT
OF THE
TRUSTEES OF THE JOSSELYN
CEMETERY FUND.

Amount of fund	\$200 00	
Interest on deposit Jan. 1, 1908	41 00	
Interest to Jan. 1, 1909	9 22	
	<hr/>	\$250 22
 Paid for repairs and improvements	 \$25 00	
Paid for care of lot	8 00	
Interest on deposit Jan. 1, 1909	17 22	
Amount of fund	200 00	
	<hr/>	\$250 22

SEVENTEENTH ANNUAL REPORT
OF THE
TRUSTEES OF THE SAMUEL C. CUDWORTH
CEMETERY FUND.

Amount of fund	\$200 00	
Interest on deposit Jan. 1, 1908	38 38	
Interest to Jan. 1, 1909	9 32	
	<hr/>	\$247 70
 Paid for repairs and improvements	 10 00	
Paid for care lot	8 75	
Interest in bank	28 95	
Amount of fund	200 00	
	<hr/>	\$247 70

THIRTEENTH ANNUAL REPORT
OF THE
TRUSTEES OF THE PRUDENCE C. DELANO
CEMETERY FUND.

Amount of fund	\$300 00	
Interest on hand Jan. 1, 1908	90 33	
Interest to Jan. 1, 1909	15 76	
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 Paid care and repairs of tomb	 \$12 00	
Interest on deposit Jan. 1, 1909	94 09	
Amount of fund	300 00	
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ELEVENTH ANNUAL REPORT
OF THE
TRUSTEES OF THE NANCY C. HERSEY
CEMETERY FUND

Amount of fund	\$100 00	
Interest on deposit Jan. 1, 1908	17 13	
Interest to Jan. 1, 1909	4 40	
	<hr/>	\$121 53
 Paid for care of lot	 \$9 50	
Paid for repairs and improvements	10 00	
Interest on deposit	2 03	
Amount of fund	100 00	
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NINTH ANNUAL REPORT
OF THE
TRUSTEES OF THE BETSEY TOLMAN
CEMETERY FUND

Amount of fund	\$100 00	
Interest on deposit Jan. 1, 1908	01	
Interest to Jan. 1, 1909	4 04	
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		\$104 05
 Paid for care of lot	 \$4 05	
Amount of fund	100 00	
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		\$104 05

SIXTH ANNUAL REPORT
OF THE
TRUSTEES OF THE GEORGE P. CLAPP
CEMETERY FUND

Amount of fund	\$100 00	
Interest on deposit Jan. 1, 1908	08	
Interest on bank book	4 04	
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		\$104 12
 Paid for care of lot	 \$4 12	
Amount of fund	100 00	
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		\$104 12

FIFTH ANNUAL REPORT
OF THE
TRUSTEES OF THE MARY O. ROBBINS
CEMETERY FUND

Amount of fund	\$200 00
Interest on deposit Jan. 1, 1908	14 67
Interest on bank book	8 44
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	\$223 11

Paid for care of lot	\$6 00
Paid for repairs and improvements	10 00
Interest on bank book Jan. 1, 1909	7 11
Amount of fund	200 00
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	\$223 11

THIRD ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE
TRUSTEES OF THE CHARLES H. MERRITT
CEMETERY FUND.

Amount of fund	\$50 00
Interest on deposit Jan. 1, 1908	1 43
Interest on bank book	2 06
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	\$53 49

Paid for care of lot	\$2 00	
Interest on deposit Jan. 1, 1909	1 49	
Amount of fund	<u>50 00</u>	\$53 49

THIRD ANNUAL REPORT
OF THE
TRUSTEES OF THE JAMES W. SAMPSON
CEMETERY FUND.

Amount of fund	100 00	
Interest on deposit Jan. 1, 1908	2 85	
Interest on bank book	<u>4 12</u>	\$106 97

Paid care of lot	\$3 00	
Interest on deposit Jan. 1, 1909	3 97	
Amount of fund	<u>100 00</u>	\$106 97

SECOND ANNUAL REPORT
OF THE
TRUSTEES OF THE ROBBINS TOMB FUND.

Amount of fund	\$100 00	
Interest on deposit Jan. 1, 1909	<u>5 08</u>	\$105 08
In South Scituate Savings Bank	\$105 08	

SECOND ANNUAL REPORT
OF THE
TRUSTEES OF THE DAVIS DAMON
CEMETERY FUND.

Amount of fund	\$100 00	
Interest on deposit Jan. 1, 1909	5 08	
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In South Scituate Savings Bank	\$105 08	\$105 08

SECOND ANNUAL REPORT
OF THE
TRUSTEES OF THE SUSAN C. DAMON
CEMETERY FUND

Amount of fund	\$100 00	
Interest on deposit Jan. 1, 1908	1 00	
Interest on bank book	4 08	
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		\$105 08
Paid for care of lot	\$3 00	
Interest on deposit Jan. 1, 1909	2 08	
Amount of fund	100 00	
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		\$105 08

SECOND ANNUAL REPORT
OF THE
TRUSTEES OF THE GEORGE H. BATES
CEMETERY FUND

Amount of fund	\$100 00	
Interest on bank book	4 04	
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		\$104 04
Paid for care of lot	\$2 00	
Interest on deposit Jan. 1, 1909	2 04	
Amount of fund	100 00	
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		\$104 04

Appropriations Recommended For

1909

Support of poor	\$2,000 00
Incidentals	500 00
Support of schools	6,500 00
Highways	2,500 00
Removing snow, street railway excise tax	200 00
Memorial Day	100 00
State aid	2,000 00
Soldiers' relief	300 00
Town officers	1,300 00
Washington street cemetery	50 00
Tree warden	25 00
Board of health	50 00
School physician	50 00
Squares and triangles	100 00
Town note due March 15, 1909	1,000 00
Town hall	50 00
Fire Extinguishers	125 00

\$16,850 00

Financial Statement

LIABILITIES

Notes in favor of South Scituate Savings	
Bank	\$2,500 00
Note in favor of the Coffin fund	2,000 00
Note in favor of the Otis fund	1,300 00
Due other towns for support of poor (estimated)	100 00
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	\$5,900 00

ASSETS

Due from state, state aid	\$2,132 00
Due from towns and state for aid to poor	513 16
Cash in hands of treasurer	1,664 22
Uncollected taxes	3,977 82
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	\$8,287 20
Balance in favor of town	\$2,387 20

RECAPITULATION

Taxes abated	\$760 00
Highways	2,745 87

Town hall	\$32 51
Parks and triangles	94 83
Cemetery	30 85
Board of health	17 60
Tree warden	42 50
Support of poor	1,722 76
Gypsy moths	2,868 31
Incidentals	333 29
Town officers	1,275 85
Soldiers' relief	342 00
State aid	2,132 00
Support of schools	9,640 28
Removing snow	176 22
Post No. 112	1,00 00
Town note	1,000 00
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	\$23,314 87

CREDITS.

Almshouse	\$788 80
State aid	2,132 00
Due from towns, poor account	513 16
Schools, from state and other towns	2,739 27
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	\$6,173 23

I have examined the accounts of the selectmen, treasurer and collector and find them correctly cast and vouchers for all amounts paid.

FRANK W. JONES,
Auditor

Norwell, Mass., Jan. 16, 1909.

Norwell, Mass., Feb. 1, 1909.

To the Citizens of Norwell—

Owing to ill health I am obliged to resign from all town offices and ask to be released from my duties at the election of my successor.

Permit me to say that it is with feelings of regret that I sever my connections with associations that have always been of the most pleasant character.

Yours very respectfully, .

ALPHEUS THOMAS

Transcript of Articles in the Warrant

FOR THE ANNUAL MEETING MARCH 1, 1909, AT
SEVEN O'CLOCK A. M.

Article 1. To choose a Moderator.

Art. 2. To bring in their votes for Town Clerk, Treasurer, Auditor, Tax Collector and five Constables for one year; one Selectman, one Assessor, and one Overseer of the Poor for three years; three Highway Surveyors and one Tree Warden for one year; one member of the Board of Health and one member of the School Committee for three years; to vote "Yes" or "No" in answer to the question: "Shall licenses be granted for the sale of intoxicating liquors in this town?" and also to vote "Yes" or "No" in answer to the following question: "Shall an act passed by the General Court in the year nineteen hundred and eight, entitled, 'An act to provide for the protection of forest and sprout lands from fire,' be accepted by this town?" All on one ballot. Polls open from 7 A. M. to 11 A. M.

Art. 3. To hear the reports of the several boards of officers and committees of the town, and act thereon.

Art. 4. To make the necessary appropriations to defray the expenses of the town, and for other purposes, and to raise such sums of money as the town shall deem expedient.

Art. 5. To see if the town will authorize the treasurer, under the direction of the selectmen, to borrow money in anticipation of taxes, and for disbursement under the pro-

visions of the law relating to State Aid and Military Aid and to defray the expenses of the town.

Art. 6. What compensation will the town make for removing snow and appropriate money for the same?

Art. 7. In what manner and time shall the taxes be collected the ensuing year?

Art. 8. To make allowance to town creditors.

Art. 9. What sum of money will the town appropriate for the use of Post 112, G. A. R., on Memorial Day?

Art. 10. Will the town cause a statement of their financial affairs to be printed in February next?

Art. 11. Will the town appropriate a sum of money to be expended in cemetery on Washington street?

Art. 12. Will the town cause a new valuation to be taken in 1909?

Art. 13. What price will the town pay for labor on the highways for the ensuing year?

Art. 14. What action will the town take in regard to keeping the sidewalks in repair?

Art. 15. Will the town give any instructions to the town officers?

Art. 16. What price will the town pay for work at fires for the ensuing year?

Art. 17. Will the town instruct the selectmen to purchase a 20-pound test weight, also a set of dry measures for the sealer of weights and measures?

Art. 24. Or act or do anything relative to the above?

Citizens desiring additional articles in the warrant must present them to the selectmen on or before 5 o'clock P. M. Feb. 15, 1909.

ALPHEUS THOMAS,
EZRA E. STETSON,
WILLIAM D. TURNER,
Selectmen of Norwell

ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

SCHOOL COMMITTEE

OF THE

TOWN OF NORWELL

FOR THE YEAR 1908

School Report.

To the Citizens of Norwell:

In presenting to you our annual report, it may seem, that, year after year, we have the same criticisms to make, the same advice to give, but, if as a noted author has said, "Every day is a little life, and our whole life is but a day repeated," how can it be otherwise? And first we will speak of our School Buildings, which were repaired and cleaned during the long vacation. Dist. No. 5 school-house had to be shingled and the grounds graded a little, as much, in fact, as we thought we ought to afford. This building should be painted the coming year. Dist. No. 6 school-house should be painted inside, as, until we have that new school building which will accommodate all the pupils in this end of the town, this building will be in constant use. At Dist. No. 7 some minor repairs were made and at Dist. No. 1 it is not expected that much work will have to be done as we had to do quite a little work there this year.

The High School building should have the side walls painted or otherwise repaired as now they present a poor appearance, not what one might expect from a building used for a High School and Town Hall. The window sashes were in very bad shape but those have been painted and put in good condition.

We were very sorry to lose our Superintendent, Mr. C. A. Harris, who left us in February to become Superintendent

in the Holliston district. He has been succeeded by Mr. James S. Hayes of Rockland, a teacher of long experience and thoroughly familiar especially with the work of the common schools. Mr. Hayes is a graduate of the Bridgewater State Normal School, had taken a partial course at Harvard University, and had passed successfully the State Superintendent's examinations. Mr. Hayes' work has been very satisfactory. His visits are frequent and he is equally at home in a Primary, Grammar or High School.

Mr. A. B. Lewis, principal of our High School, left us at the close of the year and we secured the services of Mr. E. R. Bemis (formerly principal of the Medway High School) to take his place. As usual, we have had to change our assistants several times during the year. In January, 1908, when school began, Miss Bowen left us and Miss Prudence Curtiss of Hingham took her place; she stayed only two months and Miss Margaret Marshall of Rockland succeeded her. We are glad to state that Miss Marshall is with us now. Miss Edna Cullis, a most excellent teacher, stayed only through the Spring term, resigning to accept a position in Adams, Mass. Miss Irene H. Fielding of Melrose, was engaged in September as second assistant. On looking at the reports of other towns we find we are not alone in this matter, it seems that every country High School is but a training school and a good stepping stone to higher positions and better salaries in larger places. We have employed Mrs. Lillie C. Stoddard of North Scituate to give our High School pupils some instruction not really in music but in singing, paying for the same from the High School fund.

We wish it were possible to employ a teacher of music in our common schools; we have a drawing teacher, why not a music teacher? In every neighboring town music is taught in all the public schools and it is one of the requirements for admission to the State Normal schools.

Miss Gertrude Jones, who had taught drawing in town for a number of years, also resigned in June and we now employ Miss Bertha M. Tilden of Rockland, a student at the Normal Art School. Miss Tilden is doing very good work and the improvement in her department is very decided, as one teacher said, "She always has something new to give us." During the severe illness of Miss Varney, (No. 1 Primary) Miss Alice Griggs of this town, substituted for her. Miss Varney being able to come back in September, Miss Griggs was offered the position in No. 5 Grammar school, left vacant by the resignation of Mrs. Neeley, but this she declined, having decided to enter another profession. We then hired Miss Nancy M. Bucknam of Mattapan, a teacher of wide experience, for No. 5 and under her capable management the school is making good progress.

It was proposed that this year all the schools in town should unite for the Decoration Day exercises, but owing to an epidemic of whooping cough, Dist. No. 7 Primary was unable to be present.

All the other schools, however, came together and gave a very pleasing program which was much enjoyed by the large audience present. It is our earnest wish that these patriotic exercises may be continued and that our children shall be taught to revere the names of "Those who died that our country might live."

Our annual graduation has always been a pleasing affair and this year was no exception. The essays were well written and delivered, the music was of the best, while the appearance of the school as the pupils so slowly and gracefully took their places for the different numbers on the program, left nothing to be desired. It really seemed that those young people for that time at least, were thoroughly imbued with the spirit of all that is best in education and that each deemed it a privilege and an honor to be called a pupil of the Norwell High School.

The dedication of the Lincoln tablet at the High School building on Nov. 20 was another pleasant and unusually interesting occasion.

The tablet is of bronze, on which is inscribed Lincoln's famous speech at the dedication of the National cemetery at Gettysburgh and was obtained at a considerable cost, through the efforts of the Improvement League of the High School. All the essays and poems delivered on this occasion were original and certainly were deserving of much praise. We wish to thank Mrs. Thomas Gaffield of this town for her gift of two pictures, one of Washington, the other of Sumner, which were unveiled at the same time.

We are very glad to say that the attendance the past year has been very much better than for several years as you may see by comparing the abstracts from the registers. Yet it is not so good but that it might be better. Let each parent make an extra effort to keep his child in school every day. You will never regret it and the child will thank you for it in after years. We ought not to employ a truant officer in our town, but we have had to do so several times, some parents forgetting the law which says that "Every child whose physical and mental condition is not such as to render his attendance impracticable, shall attend a public school and if he fails for five day sessions or ten half-day sessions within a period of six months, the parent or guardian shall upon complaint by a truant officer and conviction thereof, be punished by a fine of not more than twenty dollars." We would like to induce the parents and friends of our schools to visit them more often than they do. Why should you not do so? You would not employ a carpenter to build you a house, a man to plow your garden, a dressmaker or a milliner without going to consult them and see if things were going on as you would like to have them. But you will entrust your children, (your dearest possessions)

and their education to a teacher, whom actually in many cases you have not even seen. Not but what our teachers are to be trusted yet if they only knew and could be sure that they had your confidence, that you would uphold them in taking a course which they might consider right, and which the child often thinks to be wrong, how much better work could be done!

In the city of Boston, a society has been formed very recently for this very thing, that is, co-operation of parents and teachers.

If a parent has a grievance against a teacher, do not, we beg of you, mention it before your child, but go to the teacher and talk the matter over calmly, see if your child has stated the facts exactly, as they were, hear the teacher's side of the story and we are very sure you will come away feeling that the teacher is trying to do the very best she knows for all concerned. Speak well of our teachers before your children and use your influence to have others do so. We have heard good, faithful teachers mocked and nick-named in public places (when children were present) by thoughtless people and we all know children always remember such words.

In a recent issue of a popular magazine it is said that lack of respect and reverence are growing evils of the American people; let it not be so in this town, we can do much to prevent it. Let us, as loyal citizens of the town, form a co-operative society, working together with a will, not only to make our schools better but to make them best.

Respectfully submitted,

BENJAMIN LORING,
GEORGE C. TURNER,
MARY E. CURTIS,

School Committee of Norwell.

Expenditures.

EXPENDITURES CHARGEABLE TO THE APPROPRIATION.

For the winter term, 1908, but chargeable to the appropriation of 1907.

TEACHERS' SALARIES.

Albion B. Lewis	\$270 00
Edna C. Cullis	150 00
Prudence Curtiss	90 00
Margaret E. Marshall	45 00
Martha C. Scully	110 00
A. Edith Varney	110 00
Julia E. Neeley	120 00
Marion G. Merritt	100 00
Eva S. Burns	100 00
Maria W. Tolman	100 00
A. Gertrude Jones	35 00
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	\$1,230 00

SUPERVISION.

Charles A. Harris	\$110 00
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TRANSPORTATION.

Mrs. E. L. Loring	\$288 00	
John F. Osborne	192 00	
John Whalen	72 00	
L. F. Hammond	192 00	
J. L. Litchfield	168 00	
Arthur Hammond, transportation of sick pupils	1 00	
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CARE OF ROOMS.

L. F. Hammond, High School	\$60 00	
N. P. Tisdale, Dist. No. 1	10 00	
E. W. French, Dist. No. 5	20 00	
F. L. Thomas, Dist. 6	15 00	
W. C. Tolman, Dist. No. 7	6 50	
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EXPENDITURES CHARGEABLE TO THE
APPROPRIATION.

For Spring and Fall Terms, 1908.

Albion B. Lewis, principal of the High School	\$270 00
Elwyn R. Bemis, principal of the High School	380 00
Margaret E. Marshall, assistant in High School	335 00
Edna C. Cullis, assistant in High School	150 00

Irene H. Fielding, assistant in High School	\$180 00
Martha C. Scully, No. 1 Grammar	308 00
Alice Griggs, No. 1 Primary	132 00
A. Edith Varney, No. 1 Primary	176 00
Julia A. Neeley, No. 5 Grammar	144 00
Nancy M. Bucknam, No. 5 Grammar	192 00
Marion G. Merritt, No. 5 Primary	280 00
Eva S. Burns, No. 6 Mixed	280 00
Maria W. Tolman, No. 7 Primary	280 00
A. Gertrude Jones, Drawing teacher	40 00
Bertha M. Tilden, Drawing teacher	50 00
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	\$3,197 00

CARE OF ROOMS.

L. F. Hammond, High School	\$140 00
N. P. Tisdale, Dist. No. 1	20 00
E. W. French, Dist. No. 5	42 00
F. L. Thomas, Dist. No. 6	42 00
W. C. Tolman, Dist. No. 7	9 00
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	\$253 00

SUPERINTENDENT.

Received from State	\$250 00	
Town appropriation	250 00	
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		\$500 00
Paid James S. Hayes		325 00
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		\$175 00

CLEANING SCHOOL HOUSES.

Mrs. E. C. Jones, Dist. No. 1	\$12 00
Mrs. H. E. Randall, Dist. Nos. 5 and 6	16 00
Mrs. E. L. Winslow, Dist. No. 7	6 00

\$34 00

FUEL AND FITTING.

C. A. Brett, coal	\$127 00
T. C. Sampson, wood, as per contract	13 00
E. E. Jacobs, wood, as per contract	24 49
Jesse Reed, wood, as per contract	23 75
Harry G. Pinson, wood, as per contract	14 15
H. A. Turner & Sons, wood	2 00
A. C. Sylvester, housing wood, Nos. 5 & 6	4 00
W. D. Turner, wood and measuring	7 50
W. H. Briggs, sawing wood, Nos. 5 and 6	8 00
G. C. Turner, cash paid for sawing wood	3 00
M. G. Howland, housing wood, No. 7	1 50
Edwin L. Loring, labor on wood, No. 1	10 00
F. L. Temple, sawing wood	5 00

\$243 39

TRANSPORTATION.

Mrs. E. L. Loring	\$504 00
John F. Osborne	448 00
L. F. Hammond	448 00
J. L. Litchfield	420 00
George F. Hatch	2 00
L. F. Hammond, transportation of sick pupils	75

D. R. Ewell, transportation of sick pupils	\$1 00
Capt. C. E. Curtis, transportation of sick pupils	2 00
John Whalen	252 00
C. E. Brewster	15 00
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	\$2,092 75

HIGH SCHOOL FUND.

Unexpended balance from last year	\$244 98
Received from State	500 00
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	\$744 98

A. B. Lewis, teaching High School	\$100 00
D. C. Heath & Co., books and supplies	65 24
L. E. Knott Apparatus Co., apparatus	49 05
Oliver Ditson Co., music	10 78
Mrs. L. C. Stoddard, teaching music	36 00
Mrs. W. T. Osborn, pianist	6 00
American Book Co., books and supplies	46 29
Houghton, Mifflin Co., books and supplies	1 23
E. E. Babb & Co., books and supplies	58 11
Ginn & Co., books and supplies	43 49
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	\$328 79

BOOKS AND SCHOOL SUPPLIES.

The Douglas, Crawford Press, printing	\$ 1 65
Carrie M. Ford, printing	16 25
Samuel Ward Co., diplomas	5 00

Milton, Bradley Co., drawing materials	\$19 29
Benj. H. Sanborn & Co., books	2 10
Silver, Burdett Co., books	7 85
E. E. Babb & Co., books and supplies	165 82
Ginn & Co., books and supplies	12 03
Wadsworth, Howland & Co., supplies	7 86

\$237 85

INCIDENTALS.

C. A. Harris, expense in securing teachers, postage and telephoning	\$ 7 35
H. S. Merritt, labor and material at Dists. No. 1, 5, 6 and High School	54 70
J. B. Whitman, tuning piano	2 50
Ernest L. Merritt, labor at High School	50
Geo. C. Turner, expenses in hiring teachers	2 69
P. McNicol, cleaning vaults	8 00
H. B. Merritt, labor on flagpole at No. 5	1 00
Alice Griggs, supplies for No. 1	1 18
Charles H. Baker, labor at No. 1	2 00
N. Y. & Boston Ex., expressing	16 85
Wm. H. Spencer, materials and labor on stoves	19 00
D. W. Ross, labor on piano, High School	1 00
M. E. Curtis, expenses in hiring teacher, ribbon for diplomas, postage and telephoning	9 73
C. A. Bruce, labor at church for graduating exercises	2 50
C. L. Rice & Co., supplies for High School	11 25
Alonzo W. Osborne, shingles	60 00

Levi N. Osborne, mason work at High School	\$5 25
L. F. Hammond, grading at No. 5 and High School	34 50
W. W. Wade, tuning piano	2 00
Milton Bancroft, carrying water	1 00
Jesse B. Winslow, cleaning vaults	2 50
Mann & Co., repairs at High School	3 00
Geo. F. Welch, lumber	11 54
Geo. A. Turner, materials and labor at No. 1	31 75
J. F. Turner, materials and labor at No. 5 and High School	12 50
American Seating Co., desks and chairs	53 25
Edwin W. French, repairing clock	1 00
Frank L. Thomas, carting water	1 00
A. J. Litchfield & Son, supplies	16 80
J. H. Lehan, painting and glazing	34 35
S. W. Baker, repairing clock	1 00
H. J. Tolman, materials and labor at No. 72	85
N. M. Bucknam, supplies for No. 5	51
Hall & Torrey, supplies for High School	2 70
Curtis & Bates, supplies	3 05
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	\$420 80

AVAILABLE FUNDS FOR PRESENT YEAR.

Town appropriation	\$6,500 00
Dog tax	365 11
State Board of Charity	226 50
State School Fund	1,229 99
Received from State on account of teachers' salaries	166 67

Received from High School Improvement League	\$1 00
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	\$8,489 27
Amount expended	6,728 79
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	\$1,760 48
Expenses to April, estimated,	\$1,800 00
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Deficit	\$39 52

I have examined the accounts of the School Committee and find vouchers for all amounts paid.

FRANK W. JONES,
Auditor.

Norwell, Mass., Jan. 16, 1909.

ABSTRACT FROM REGISTERS.

SCHOOLS	WINTER TERM, 1908				SPRING TERM, 1908				FALL TERM, 1908			
	Number Enrolled	Average Membership	Average Attendance	Per Cent. of Attendance	Number Enrolled	Average Membership	Average Attendance	Per Cent. of Attendance	Number Enrolled	Average Membership	Average Attendance	Per Cent. of Attendance
No. 1 Primary	49	47.4	44.5	.94	50	44.4	41.4	.93	38	33.55	31.35	.95
No. 1 Grammar	23	22.11	20.57	.93	22	22.	20.73	.94	32	31.32	30.04	.95
No. 5 Primary	33	31.45	28.04	.89	34	32.39	30.73	.94	32	27.84	25.87	.93
No. 5 Grammar	38	37.9	33.6	.88	38	36.5	33.6	.92	35	32.7	30.83	.94
No. 6 Mixed	22	22.	19.2	.87	24	23.6	22.06	.93	35	31.5	29.38	.93
No. 7 Primary	21	19.46	17.18	.88	22	20.15	18.36	.91	25	23.4	22.6	.96
High School	61	58.3	56.6	.97	58	54.6	52.3	.95	62	60.25	58.5	.97

Norwell Public Schools.

PUPILS NOT ABSENT FOR ONE YEAR.

Ruth Tolman	Seth Thomas
Walter McKenzie	Alfred Bates
Herbert Lincoln	Edgar Ellms
Annie Olson	Helen Farrar
Ralph Lambert	Elmer Leavitt
Lena Leslie	William Leslie
Dorothy Litchfield	Mildred Litchfield
Mildred Mott	Harold Turner

NOT ABSENT FOR TWO TERMS.

George Morton	Louise Whiting
Elizabeth Lee	Alberta Chamberlain
Frederick Lee	Dorothy Turner
Frank Tate	Francis Leslie
Margaret Tolman	Fred Olson
Lillian Ford	Alma Litchfield
Lawrence Soule	Russell Olson
Mary Ryan	Lawrence Prouty
Albert Perry	Daisy Peckham
Arthur Osborn	Mae Collamore
Floyd Osborn	Gertrude Leslie
Ella Osborne	Lawrence Turner

Clarence Winslow
 Helen Litchfield
 Florence Williams
 Edna Farrar
 Ethel Soule
 Levi Olson
 Howard Corbett
 Minnie Fatoоче

Nettie Jacobs
 Ethel Stetson
 Lucy Williams
 Edwin Osborne
 Evelyn Ford
 Robert Leavitt, Jr.
 Francis Damon

NOT ABSENT FOR ONE TERM.

Ruth Kidder
 Grace Sproul
 Mildred Appleford
 Stanley Winslow
 Blanche Pincin
 Miriam Ford
 Elizabeth Corthell
 Sara Monk
 Wilson Morrill
 Clyde Phipps
 Julius Scharks
 Grace Farrar
 Edward Peckham
 Rosetta Keene
 Grace Morrill
 Irving Wilder
 Bertha Campbell
 Stewart Bowker
 Harriet Leach
 Alice Wadsworth
 John Osborne
 Samuel Turner
 John Burns

George Williamson
 Milton Bancroft
 Carl Monk
 Harry Monahan
 Maizie Dyer
 Harold Monk
 Roy Joseph
 Irving Corbett
 Ashley Jones
 Amy Prouty
 Hazel Damon
 Wesley Osborne
 Lloyd Prouty
 Florence Merritt
 Alice Parry
 Dora Black
 Nellie Baker
 Emily Burns
 Blanche Livingstone
 Alice Farrar
 Ethel Tolman
 Willie Williams
 Mildred Hatch

Esther Wetherby
Gertrude Bancroft
Ruth Bancroft
Hazel Leavitt
Lawrence Osborne
Lawson Griffin
Allen Thompson
James Eli
Edward Roberts
Clement Ross

Edwin Damon
Clarence Pratt
Otto Olson
Marie Olson
Bessie Bent
Lucile Jones
Harley Woodward
Etta Roberts
Newell Roberts
Eugene Roberts

Superintendent's Report.

To the School Committee of Norwell :

I submit my first annual report.

My duties began in this district April 13, 1908, one third of my time to be given to each town.

The superintendent's place is in the school room, and I have been in the schools regularly, observing, criticising, suggesting. On account of the distance which some of the teachers would have to travel, no general teachers' meetings were held. However, they have been instructed what to do, and how to do it, as circumstances warranted. Tests have been given frequently in the schools, and points of strength and weakness shown; some weaknesses which the teachers did not realize; work has been given along lines that will continue the strength, and lead to a correction of such weaknesses as have appeared. Drill, drill, drill, will be the policy for the year.

SCHOOL ATTENDANCE.

“Every child between seven and fourteen years of age shall attend some public day school in the city or town in which he resides during the entire time the public day schools are in session. Every person having under his control a child as described in this section shall cause him to attend school as herein required; if he fails for five day sessions or ten-half day sessions within any period of six

months while under such control to cause such child—so to attend school, he shall be punished by a fine of not more than twenty dollars.” (Sec. 1, Chap. 44 Revised Statutes.)

I wish to call the attention of parents to the above extract from the school laws. Some of our children do not attend school as this law says they shall. Such children lose rapidly, and then incur a distaste for school work; sometimes the parents are too indulgent, and allow their children to stay at home on the slightest pretext; they may be sorry later.

Some parents tell how “smart” their boys, or girls, are in certain lines, but remember parents, that with that natural ability plus an education, they would be many times “smarter.” Let us see if we cannot live nearer to the meaning of the law during the coming year.

SCHOOLS AND SCHOOL ROOMS.

I wish to make a general comment on the above topic:

Our children stay five or six hours each day in the school room. Should not the school room be as attractive as possible for them? The effort shown by some of our teachers to make the rooms attractive and homelike is commendable. Teachers have very little extra money, so should not be asked to go to any expense for furnishings, still, our rooms would be brighter, could we decorate the walls with some good pictures.

A cheerful spirit prevails in most of our class rooms and our children are pleased to be there. Here the pupil rises promptly on being called, stands on both feet in the aisle at the right side of his desk, and gives his answer in a decided manner. In such rooms the teachers do not call on the few pupils who seem to know, but direct their questions wisely, making problems suited to the ability of the duller pupils.

Teachers should not fail to give due praise to pupils for good work. Phillips Brooks says, "To say 'Well done!' to any bit of work that has embodied good effort is to take hold of the powers which have made the effort, and confirm and strengthen them. But if you have nothing to say to your child, or your scholar, except (what may be perfectly true), that much of his work is badly done, then you are coming to him not to fulfil, but to destroy."

Some of our teachers allow the pupils to read from the front of the room, thus speaking directly to the rest of the class as an audience. In this way the pupil feels he has something of importance to communicate, and becomes more self-reliant. Guard against taking the attention of the other pupils from their work.

Home study should be asked for in the upper grades, and parents should co-operate with the teachers in the work.

Parents are invited to visit the schools, meet the teachers, and mutually support each other in the effort to make school life more attractive and harmonious, and thus assist the "making" of our future citizens.

It has been necessary to revise the course of study to meet the requirements in some schools. Building slowly and surely is the wisest way.

We should have a regular course in music, and a special teacher to direct it. Nothing adds greater zest than some good music and we are surely losing something by not having it as a part of our regular course in the elementary schools; we have a supervisor in the High schools.

HIGH SCHOOL.

The progress of our school was halted somewhat by the loss of the principal and first assistant who concluded their services in June. To succeed a popular teacher and attempt to carry out his policies, or replace them with new ones, is not an easy matter, and needs the full co-operation

of the teachers and entire student body. I believe that the educational part is being carried along on the same plane to which it was raised a few years ago.

However skilful the teachings, or carefully graded the course of study, the child always experiences a painful struggle when he passes from the grades to the High school. The latter institution usually blames the grammar teachers because the child is ill-prepared and this attitude serves to widen the breach. The pupil may have covered the ground laid out by the course of study, and still be little fitted to meet the requirements of business life, or to cope with unfamiliar studies and methods of the High school. There are certain things which the grammar school teacher should insist on for the good of the pupil. She must be sure that they know how to study and use their minds with concentration.

The influence of too many teacher does not extend beyond the school room door, and when the pupil reaches the High school where the personal influence of the teacher is necessarily less powerful, he shows the effects of the change. Here is the place for some assistance from the senior and junior class leaders. As so many children pick out their ideal in one of their schoolmates, the character and bearing of such an one should be above reproach ; therefore the upper classes should show by their efforts that they are doing all in their power to assist in making their school better, and their followers in the lower classes will unconsciously follow in their footsteps. Should the assistance be negative, it will not take long to notice the marked effect upon the school. Where a good, healthy school spirit is lacking, the work of the teachers and pupils becomes burdensome and decay follows.

October 15, 1908, we received a visit from Mr. McDonald, agent of Board of Education. He observed, examined and criticised ; he suggested teaching along such lines as will make the pupils practical.

On the whole, I believe he found the conditions as good as the average country High school.

TEACHERS.

The present corps of teachers is doing satisfactory work in many ways, but more energy is needed to take the pupils out of that slowness, which seems to have fallen upon many of them like a mantle.

Educational papers and books should form a part of the reading material of every teacher, and it should be her pride to be able to say that she has read and digested one new book each year. Various devices are found in the periodical magazines which can be used to good advantage in our schools, and which, if used rightly, stimulates the mental activity of the pupils.

No teacher is seriously handicapped by having too many pupils in her room this year, and consequently we look for a greater advance in amount and value of work to be done.

Teachers have done good work in carefully observing their pupils, and noticing signs of illness; in such cases the children have been sent to see the Medical Inspector, or to their homes, where in some cases, the physician was called. Parents would do well to co-operate with the teachers and inspector in this work, as prompt effort is necessary that no contagious diseases get a foothold in our schools.

In conclusion I wish to thank the committee and teachers for their assistance, loyalty, and support.

JAMES S. HAYES.

Appendix.

GRADUATION EXERCISES OF THE NORWELL HIGH SCHOOL, UNITARIAN CHURCH, JUNE SEVENTEENTH, 1908

Motto: "Deeds Not Words."

PROGRAM.

Prayer	Rev. Edville Roys
Song—"Morning Invitation"	High School
Salutatory and Essay— "Shakespeare's Jew, Shylock"	Winifred M. Hunt
Prophecy	Carrie E. Barrell
Solo—Selected	Mrs. Stoddard
Essay—"Theodore Roosevelt"	Stewart R. Bowker
Class History	Aleida Wilder
Solo—Selected	Mrs. Stoddard
Valedictory and Essay— "Joan of Arc"	Gertrude E. Brooks
Song—"Daffodils"	High School
Presentation of Diplomas	
Benediction	Rev. Edville Roys

GRADUATES

Gertrude Estelle Brooks

Aleida Wilder

Winifred Morton Hunt

Carrie Evelyn Barrell

Stewart Rufus Bowker

TEACHERS.

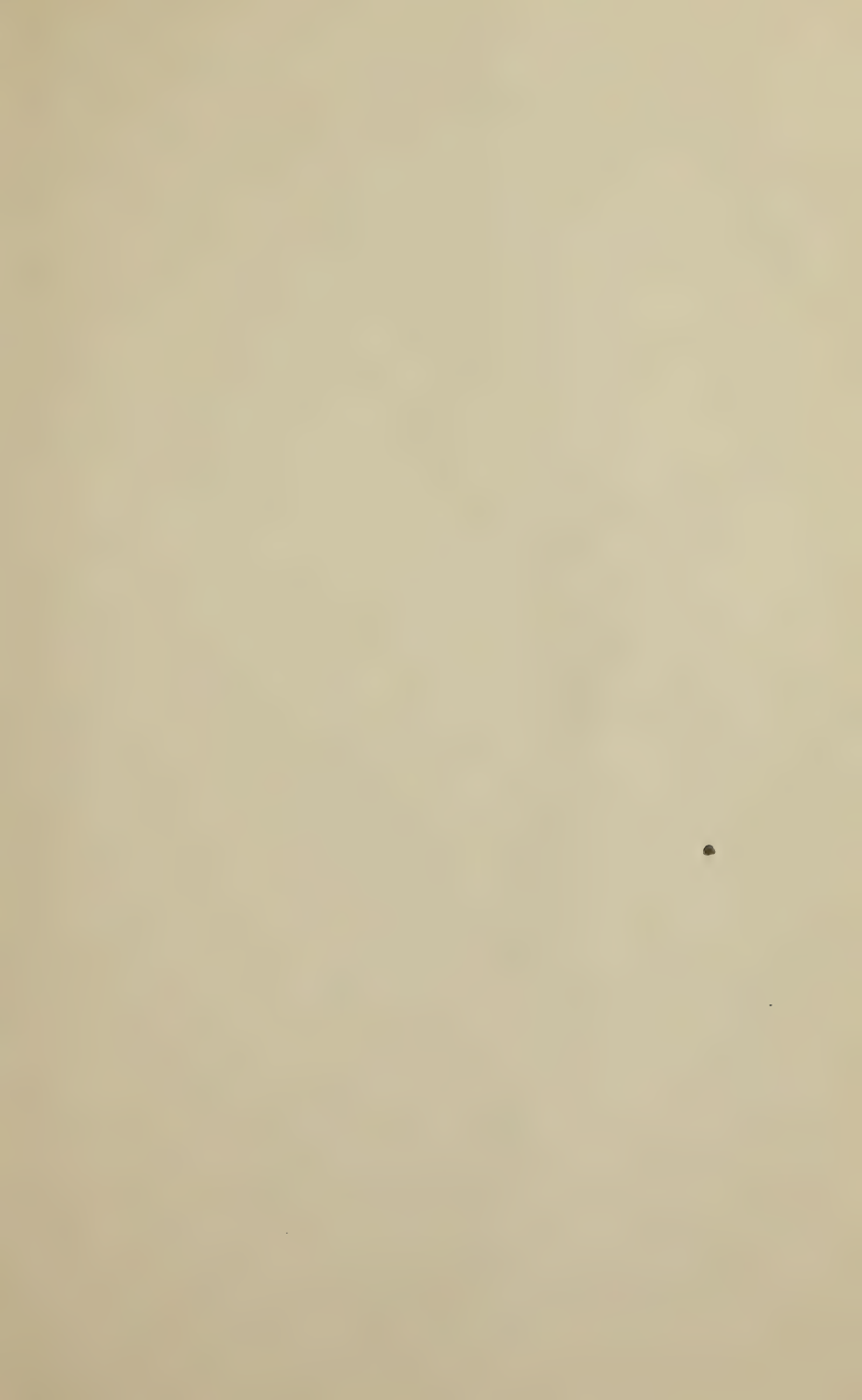
Principal

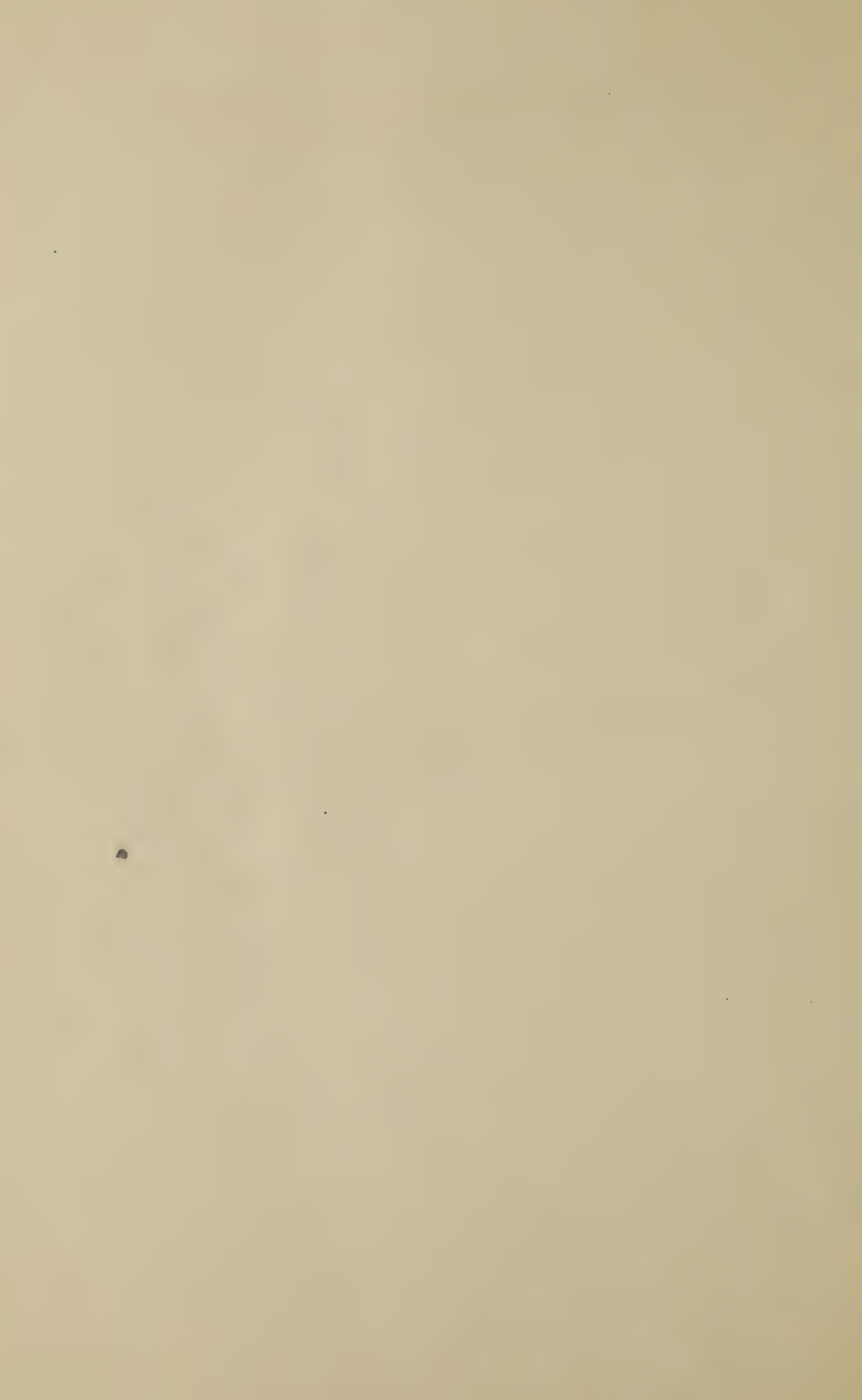
Assistants

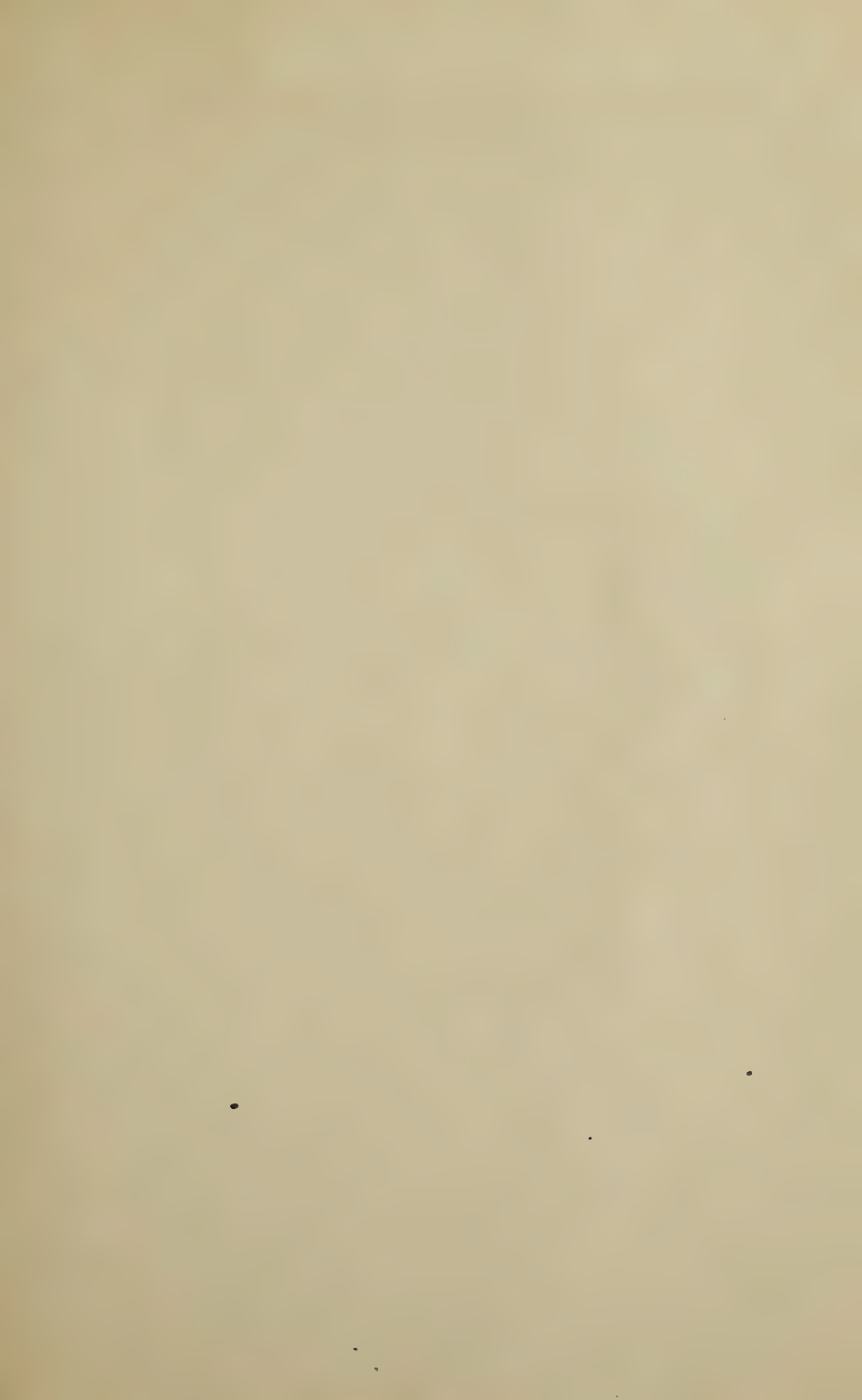
Mr. A. B. Lewis

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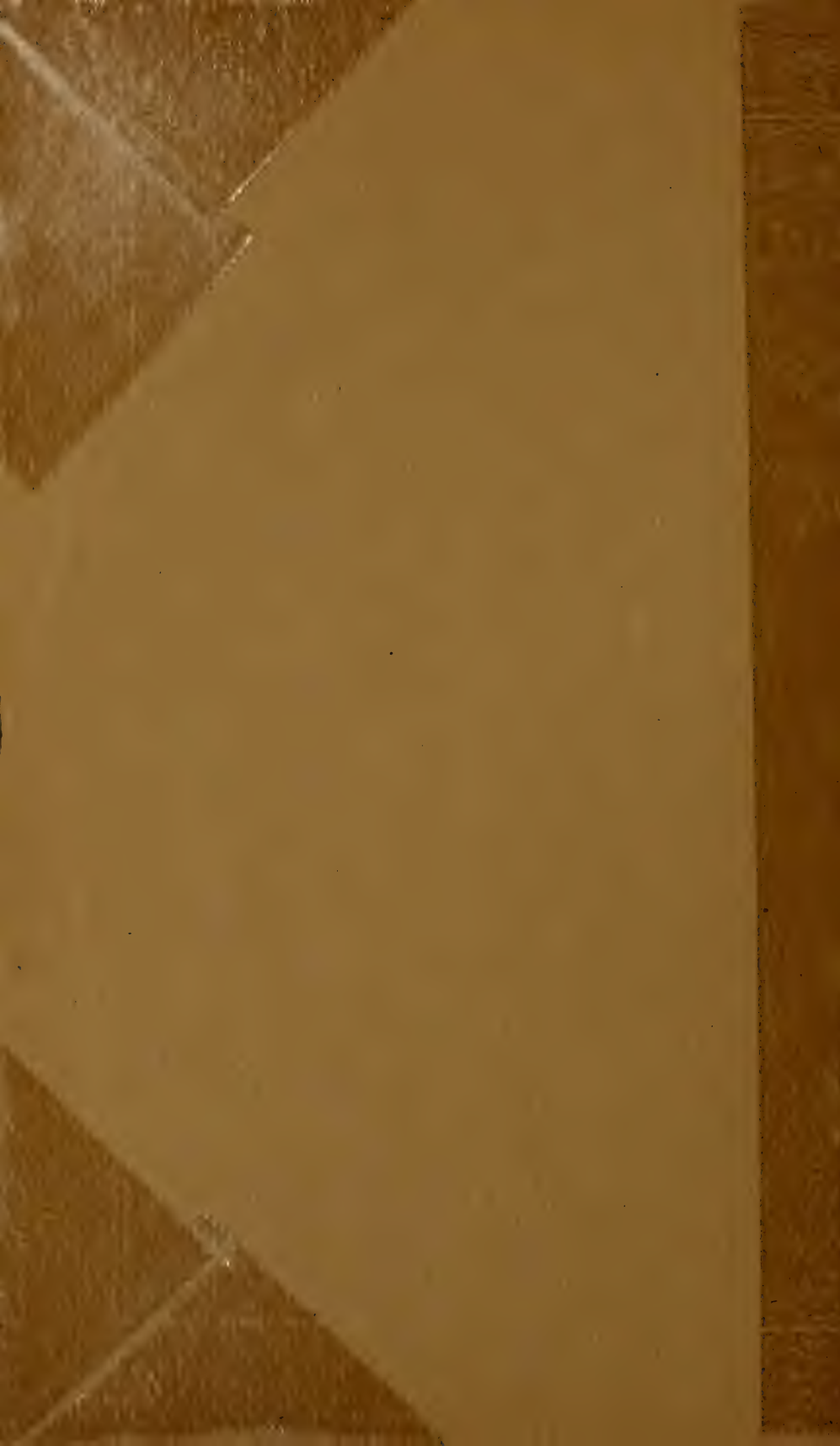
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Report of the Town Clerk

ANNUAL TOWN MEETING 1909.

Pursuant to a warrant, duly executed, the qualified voters of the Town of Norwell, met at the Town Hall on Monday, March 1, at 7 A. M. and took action as follows, on the articles contained in the warrant :

Article 1 To choose a moderator.

Chose John H. Crocker, moderator, by ballot and he was sworn to faithfully perform the duties thereof by the town clerk.

The town clerk then delivered the ballots and all other articles pertaining to the election to the moderator and Charles Scully, Amos H. Tilden, Charles W. Thomas, Ernest H. Sparrell, Ezra E. Stetson and John Whalen, having been appointed election officers and ballot clerks were sworn as such by the clerk. The polls were declared open at 7.15 A. M. and closed at 11.20 A. M. While voting was in progress the counting began, Jeremiah H. Lehan and Henry C. Ford being appointed additional officers for this purpose. The number of names checked and the number of ballots cast was 179, one being a partial ballot for school committee. On being canvassed and counted in open meeting they were found to be as follows, and the result was declared by the moderator :

Town Clerk for one year

Joseph F. Merritt	161
Blanks	17

Selectman for three years

William D. Turner	136
Harrison Wilder	2
Blanks	40

Selectman for two years [to fill vacancy]

Frank W. Jones	150
Blanks	28

Assessor for three years

William D. Turner	140
Harrison Wilder	2
Blanks	36

Assessor for two years [to fill vacancy]

Frank W. Jones	152
Blanks	26

Overseer of the Poor for three years

William D. Turner	138
Harrison Wilder	2
Blanks	38

Overseer of the Poor for two years [to fill vacancy]

Frank W. Jones	151
Blanks	27

Town Treasurer for one year

Joseph F. Merritt	162
Ernest H. Sparrell	1
Blanks	15

Auditor for one year

Elliott W. Crowell	67
James H. Pinkham	82
Blanks	29

Collector of Taxes for one year

Andrew J. Litchfield	158
Blanks	20

Board of Health for three years

Edward W. Gardner	136
Blanks	42

Board of Health for two years [to fill vacancy]

Francis E. Henderson	137
Blanks	41

School Committee for three years

George C. Turner	106
Claude G. Ainslie	1
Blanks	72

Surveyors of Highways for one year

Joseph Briggs	85
L. Frank Hammond	100
Edward A. Jacobs	62

Emanuel P. Joseph	98
Benjamin Loring	53
Arthur J. Parr	9
Blanks	126

Constables for one year

Joshua Warren Foster	139
L. Frank Hammond	134
Walter T. Osborn	133
Frank M. Vining	134
Jesse M. Winslow	126
George A. Jackman	1
Jeremiah H. Lehan	1
Frank Baker	1
Blanks	221

Tree Warden for one year

John H. Sparrell	136
Joseph F. Totman	1
Blanks	41

Shall Licenses be granted for the Sale of Intoxicating Liquors in this town?

Yes	61
No	93
Blanks	24

Shall an Act passed by the General Court in the year nineteen hundred and eight, entitled "An Act to provide for the protection of Forest or Sprout lands from fire" be accepted by this Town?

Yes	103
No	10
Blanks	65

OFFICERS ELECTED.

Town Clerk, Joseph F. Merritt.

Selectman, Assessor and Overseer of the Poor for three years, William D. Turner.

Selectman, Assessor and Overseer of the Poor for two years, Frank W. Jones.

Treasurer, Joseph F. Merritt.

Auditor, James H. Pinkham.

Collector of Taxes, Andrew J. Litchfield.

Board of Health for three years, Edward W. Gardner.

Board of Health for two years, Francis E. Henderson.

School Committee for three years, George C. Turner.

Surveyors of Highways, Joseph Briggs, L. Frank Hammond, Emanuel P. Joseph.

Constables, Joshua Warren Foster, L. Frank Hammond, Walter T. Osborn, Frank M. Vining, Jesse M. Winslow.

Tree Warden, John H. Sparrell.

Article 3. To hear the reports of the several boards of officers and committees of the town and act thereon.

It was voted to accept the reports of the officers and committees as printed.

Article 4. To make the necessary appropriations to defray the expenses of the town and for other purposes, and to raise such sums of money as the town shall deem expedient.

Voted that the moderator appoint a committee of three to recommend a list of appropriations; that the list be written on the blackboard and that the meeting act on the report at 1.30 p. m. Committee, Horace T. Fogg, Ezra E. Stetson and Benjamin Loring. The following appropriations were voted :

Support of poor	\$2,000 00
Incidentals and Suppression of Crime	500 00
Snow, including excise tax of \$275	100 00
Town Officers	1,300 00
State Aid	2,000 00
Soldiers' Relief	300 00
Tree Warden (for trees)	50 00
School Physician	25 00
Support of Schools	6,500 00
Town Note	1,000 00
Fire Extinguishers	100 00
Gypsy and Brown Tail Moths	346 79
James Library	100 00
Abatement of Taxes	200 00
Discount on Taxes, paid before Oct. 1, 1909	150 00
Post 112 G. A. R., Memorial Day	150 00
Highways (general work)	2,500 00
Highways (special work)	500 00
Squares and Triangles	100 00
Electric Lights	100 00

Voted that the special highway appropriation be expended under the direction of the Selectmen, also the appropriation for electric lights and that the appropriation for squares and triangles be expended under the direction of the Town Clerk.

Voted to raise by taxation a sum not exceeding \$15,000 and to assess the same on the polls and estates of residents and on the estates of non-residents.

Article 5. To see if the Town will authorize the treasurer, under the direction of the selectmen, to borrow money in anticipation of taxes and for disbursement under the provisions of the law relating to State Aid and Military Aid and to defray the expenses of the town.

It was voted by a majority of the legal voters present and voting, that the treasurer be and hereby is authorized with the approval of the selectmen to borrow during the present municipal year in anticipation of the collection of taxes, such sums of money as may be necessary for the current expenses of the town, but not exceeding the total tax levy for said year, giving the notes of the town therefore, payable within twelve months from the date thereof. All debts incurred under the authority of this vote shall be paid from the taxes of the present municipal year.

Article 6. What compensation will the town make for removing snow and appropriate money for the same?

Voted that 25c per hour be paid for removing snow.

Article 7. In what manner and time shall the taxes be collected the ensuing year?

Voted that a discount of 2 per cent. be allowed on taxes paid before October 1st; that on all taxes not paid December 1st, interest be charged at the rate of 6 per cent. After April 1st, 1910, the collector shall issue summons and proceed to collect all unpaid taxes, and that the money shall be paid to the treasurer or a deposit made by the collector for all unpaid taxes on July 1st, 1910.

Voted that the collector have the same powers in the collection of taxes that he would have if he were Town Treasurer. Voted that the collector publish in the next annual report the names of all persons, together with the amount of tax, whose taxes of the assessment of 1908 remain unpaid December 31, 1909.

Article 8. To make allowance to town creditors. No bills were presented.

Article 9. What sum of money will the town appropriate for the use of Post 112, G. A. R., on Memorial Day?

Recorded under Article 4 on general appropriations.

Article 10. Will the town cause a statement of their financial affairs to be printed in February next?

Voted that the town cause a statement to be printed at that time.

Article 11. Will the town appropriate a sum of money to be expended in the cemetery on Washington street?

Voted to refer to the committee on appropriations and was acted on under Article 4.

Article 12. Will the town cause a new valuation to be taken in 1909?

Voted that the town cause a valuation to be taken in 1910, the assessors to be authorized to make any preliminary arrangements to prepare for the same during the present year.

Article 13. What price will the town pay for labor on the highways for the ensuing year?

Voted to pay 25c per hour for men, 62 1-2 cents per hour for man and two horses, and that eight hours constitute a day's work.

Article 14. What action will the town take in regard to keeping the sidewalks in repair?

Voted to refer the matter to the highway surveyors.

Article 15. Will the town give any instructions to the town officers?

Voted that the selectmen and school committee be instructed to draw no orders after January 1, 1910, for work done in the year 1909. All bills coming in after January 1, 1910, covering this period, to be acted on at the annual meeting in March, 1910.

Article 16. What price will the town pay for work at fires for the ensuing year?

Voted to pay 35c per hour for fighting fires either day or night.

Article 17. Will the town instruct the selectmen to purchase a 20-pound test weight ; also a set of dry measures for the sealer of weights and measures?

Voted to instruct the selectmen to purchase these articles.

Article 18. Will the town vote to have one road commissioner for the year 1910?

No action taken under this article.

Article 19. Will the town appropriate a sum of money to retop the road from Scituate line to Dist. No. 6 Schoolhouse, Main street?

Voted to refer to committee on appropriations.

Article 20. Will the town take any action in regard to the care of parks, squares and triangles, and make any appropriation for the same?

Acted on under Article 4.

Article 21. Will the town make an appropriation for the James Library in return for the free privilege of taking books which the townspeople now have?

Acted on under Article 4.

Article 22. Will the town accept one hundred dollars from Mrs. Lucy Sprague for care of the "Gad Leavitt" lot in the Church Hill cemetery at Norwell, income from said gift to be used for care of said lot?

Voted that the town accept the above named amount for said purpose.

Article 23. Will the town appropriate a sum of money to be expended under the direction of the Massachusetts Highway Commission in the construction of one mile of road on River street, running north from a point near the residence of Henry Tolman.

Voted to pass over this article.

Article 24. Will the town contract with the Massachusetts Highway Commission for the construction of that part of River street as provided in the preceding article?

No action taken.

Article 25. Will the town take any action in regard to the construction of a State Road along that part of Main street, east from the Hanover town line?

Voted that the Selectmen be a committee to confer with the State Highway Commission in regard to the matter.

Article 26. Will the town support an electric light on the corner of River and Elm streets after Dec. 1, 1909?

No action taken as the appropriation for electric lights was intended to cover this matter.

Article 27. Will the town act in conjunction with the town of Hanover, to have an electric light at the terminus of River street, Norwell and Broadway, Hanover at the Third Herring brook.

No action taken as the appropriation for electric lights was intended to cover this matter.

Article 28. Will the town appropriate the sum of \$346.79 for the suppression of Gypsy and Brown Tail Moths?

Included on vote on general appropriation.

Article 29. What sum of money will the town appropriate to pay the Superintendent of Schools?

Voted to appropriate \$500 for this purpose.

Article 30. Will the town appropriate a sum of money to be used in the suppression of crime?

Acted on under Article 4.

Article 31. Or act or do anything relative to the above.

The following resolution offered by Horace T. Fogg, Esq., was unanimously adopted by a rising vote and the Town Clerk was instructed to spread the same upon the Records of the Town, send a copy to Mrs. Thomas and cause it to be printed in the next town report.

March 1, 1909.

To Alpheus Thomas, Esq.,

Long Time Officer of the Town of Norwell.

The Citizens of the Town of Norwell, in Town Meeting assembled, desire to place upon record and to express to you their deep appreciation of your many years of faithful service. In whatever position you have held as an officer of the town, you have performed your duties with strict regard for public welfare and the best interests of the community. Your recent illness, which has necessitated your retirement from public office, has been viewed with deep regret by your fellowtownsmen, and it is their earnest desire that you may, with renewed health, and for many years, enjoy the happy reflections consequent upon a well spent life.

On the motion of Mr. Henry A. Turner it was voted by a rising vote that the thanks of the town be extended to the retiring Treasurer, Horace T. Fogg, Esq., for the very honest, faithful and efficient manner in which he has administered the affairs of that office for the past twelve years.

Voted that the constables act as field drivers.

Voted that the cemetery committee consist of George W. Curtis, Joseph H. Curtis and Frank W. Jones.

Voted that the salary of the treasurer be \$150; tax collector, \$225; surveyors of highways, \$2.50 per day; secretary of school committee, \$50; other members not over \$25 each.

Voted that the moderator be paid \$5 for his services and receive the thanks of the meeting.

Voted that this meeting be dissolved.

JOSEPH F. MERRITT, Town Clerk.

STATE ELECTION 1909.

Pursuant to a warrant, duly executed, the qualified voters of the Town of Norwell, met at the Town hall, Tuesday, Nov. 2, 1909. Ezra E. Stetson, Chairman of the Board of Selectmen, acted as presiding officer. William D. Turner, Frank W. Jones, Amos H. Tilden, John Whalen Charles Scully and Charles W. Thomas having been appointed election officers and ballot clerks, were duly sworn as such by the town clerk. The clerk then delivered the ballots and everything to be used at the election to the presiding officer, and the polls were declared open at 6.05 a. m. and closed at 12.05 p. m. There were 198 names checked on the voting lists and the same number of ballots cast. They were canvassed and counted in open meeting and the result of the vote declared as follows:

Governor.

Eben S. Draper, Republican
John A. Nichols, Prohibition

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Moritz E. Ruther, Socialist Labor	0
James H. Vahey, Democratic	64
Daniel A. White, Socialist	0
Blanks	10

Lieutenant Governor

Eugene N. Foss, Democratic	66
Louis A. Frothingham, Republican	116
George G. Hall, Socialist	2
Ernest R. Knipe, Prohibition	1
Lawrence Yates, Socialist Labor	0
Blanks	13

Secretary

David T. Clark, Democratic	38
Harriet D'Orsay, Socialist	0
Henry C. Hess, Socialist Labor	0
William G. Merrill, Prohibition	2
William M. Olin, Republican	127
Blanks	31

Treasurer

James H. Bryan, Democratic	32
James B. Carr, Socialist	0
David Craig, Socialist Labor	0
Daniel Parlin, Prohibition	3
Elmer A. Stevens, Republican	132
Blanks	31

Auditor

Alexis Boyer, Jr., Democratic	33
Charles A. Chace, Prohibition	3

Sylvester J. McBride, Socialist	1
Jeremiah P. McNally, Socialist Labor	0
Henry E. Turner, Republican	127
Blanks	34

Attorney-General

Henry M. Dean, Prohibition	3
John A. Fredrikson, Socialist Labor	0
Dana Malone, Republican	121
Harvey N. Shepard, Democratic	42
John Weaver Sherman, Socialist	1
Blanks	31

Councillor—First District

Charles O. Brightman, Republican	132
John McCarty, Socialist	2
Thomas F. O'Brien, Democratic	32
Blanks	32

Senator—First Plymouth District

Orion L. Griswold, Prohibition	3
John M. Hayes, Democratic	23
Melvin S. Nash, Republican	152
Elmer A. Wright, Socialist	0
Blanks	20

Representative in General Court—Second Plymouth District

Edgar L. Hitchcock, Democratic	50
William S. Moore, Republican	127
Blanks	21

County Commissioner—Plymouth

Edward P. Boynton, Democratic	49
George B. Cushman, Socialist	0
Lyman P. Thomas, Republican	120
Blanks	29

County Treasurer—Plymouth County

Thomas H. Dunn, Socialist	11
Horace T. Fogg, Republican	165
Blanks	22

TOWN CLERKS' CONVENTION

At a meeting of the town clerks of the towns comprising the Second Plymouth Representative District, held at Marshfield, November 12, 1909, the vote for Representative throughout the district was found to be as follows :

	Total	Hitchcock	Moore	Blanks
Marshfield	161	33	122	6
Duxbury	139	21	113	5
Norwell	198	50	127	21
Pembroke	91	15	69	7
Scituate	234	59	163	12

Whole number of ballots	823
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Edgar L. Hitchcock, Democratic	178
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William S. Moore, Republican	594
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William S. Moore having a plurality of the votes cast, was found to be elected and his certificate made out in accordance therewith.

George H. Weatherbee,
George H. Stearns,

Town Clerk of Marshfield
Town Clerk of Duxbury

Joseph F. Merritt,
 Wilbert L. Halladay
 Jetson Wade

Town Clerk of Norwell
 Town Clerk of Pembroke
 Town Clerk of Scituate

DOGS LICENSED

During the year ending November 30, 1909.

Whole number licensed, 192.

166 males at \$2.00	\$332 00	
26 females at \$5.00	130 00	
	<hr/>	\$462 00
Less clerk's fees 192 Licenses at 20c		38 40
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Amount turned over to County Treasurer		\$423 60

HUNTERS' LICENSES

Whole number of resident hunters' licenses issued during the year ending December 31st, 1909, 82.

Amount turned over to State Treasurer, \$82.

ENROLLED MILITIA

There were 245 enrolled for military duty in this town May 1st, 1909.

REGISTERED VOTERS

At the close of registration October 24, 1909, there were 356 male voters and 3 female voters on the list.

MARRIAGES RECORDED IN NORWELL DURING
THE YEAR 1909.

- February 27. At Hanover, Perley Cleveland Keene of Norwell and Mildred Olive Tower of Cohasset, by Rev. E. E. Ventress.
- June 26. At Rockland, Charles Francis Tisdale of Norwell and Julia Poor Tompkins of Rockland by Rev. William Reid.
- July 3. At Assonet, David Waterman Clark of Rockland and Martha Lucretia Abbott of Norwell, by Rev. John M. Reynolds.
- July 15. At Rockland, Horace Daniel Gaudette of Rockland and Lillian Wilder of Norwell, by Rev. E. J. Fagan.
- July 21. At Norwell, William George Dumas of Springfield and Euphenia Mary Robertson of Norwell, by Rev. Joseph Dinzey.
- July 24. At Chicago, Illinois, Clark C. Steinbeck of Chicago and M. Gertrude Robbins of Norwell, by Rev. Edward H. Curtis.
- October 27. At Somerville, Alfred Hobart Prouty of Norwell and Annie Laura Brown of Somerville, by Rev. W. G. Martin.
- November 10. At Norwell, Harry Glenwood Pinson and Florence Baxter Cochran, both of Norwell, by Rev. William E. Ennis.
- November 24. At Whitman, Wallace James Henderson of Norwell and Mabel Florence Brewster of Whitman, by Rev. Ellsworth W. Phillips.
- November 25. At Scituate, Ernest Cudworth Loring of Norwell and Alice Marsh Vinal of Scituate by Rev. Hartwell J. Bartlett.

BIRTHS REGISTERED IN NORWELL DURING THE YEAR 1909

Date of Birth	Name of Child	Names of Parents	Maiden Name of Mother
January 1	Lawrence Clifton Crocker.....	Clifton L. and Annie L.....	Spire
January 26	Harriet Elizabeth Turner.....	Arthur J. and Harriet.....	Damon
January 28	Donald Church Merritt.....	Joseph F. and Alice G.....	Church
February 1	Fred Lawrence Pratt.....	William F. and Ella.....	Dacey
March 5	Robert Hayden Gardner.....	Wilbur Ralph and Jessie L.....	Hayden
March 8	Marion Brown.....	William A. and Margaret.....	McCarthy
March 25	Beatrice Merritt.....	Archie F. and Nellie F.....	Stoddard
April 26	Albert Lemery Lehan.....	Jeremiah H. and Rose.....	Lemery
May 18	Mabel Elizabeth Beach.....	Arnold V. and Carrie.....	Turner
May 18	Illegitimate		
May 22	Constance May Osborne.....	Harold and Effa M.....	Cain
June 2	Alberta Moulton.....	John A. and Annie A.....	Damon
June 7	Albert Leslie Bryden.....	John and Lillian A.....	Redfern
June 23	Keuneth Arnold Torrey.....	Everett L. and Ethel F.....	Stoddard
July 21	Hazel Irene Gardner.....	Harry A. and Nina G.....	Robinson
July 28	Eleanor Louise Gardner.....	Alfred B. and Ida R.....	Leonard
August 3	Marjory Louisa Pratt.....	Chester H. and Edna.....	Burbank
August 26	Burton Linwood Keene.....	Perley and Mildred.....	Tower
Sept. 12	Helen Morton	George S. and Delia.....	Egan
Sept. 14	Lillian May Oakman.....	Stanley W. and Mary E.....	Gardner
Sept. 19	Winifred Laura Fessenden.....	Lothrop E. and Edith W.....	Bennett
Sept. 19	Harriet Jeannette Babbitt.....	Samuel M. and Bessie E.....	Priest
October 3	Bertha Magoun.....	Charles D. and Fanny W.....	Damon
October 26	Edwin Ellsworth Farrar.....	George R. and Minnie C.....	Fitts
Nov. 6	Clarence Ellsworth Hammond.....	William C. and Georgiana C.....	Bates
Nov. 9	Florence M. Hutchingson.....	Roscoe A. and Ada E.....	Howe
Nov. 9	Lyman Washington Lincoln, Jr....	Lyman W. and Carrie.....	Bates
Nov. 16	Pearline Marion Winslow.....	Edward and Eveline.....	Cromwell

BIRTHS REGISTERED IN NORWELL DURING THE YEAR 1909

Date of Birth	Name of Child	Names of Parents	Maiden Name of Mother
1907			
Nov. 26	Drusilla Florence Loring.....	Mason L. and Mabel J.....	Dexheimer
1908			
May 18	Persis Brigham Brown.....	Robert S. and Margaret L.....	Slater
May 18	Candace Wheelock Brown.....	Robert S. and Margaret L.....	Slater
August 14	Elizabeth Ellen Churchhill.....	Arthur H. and Millie G.....	Chamberlin

The Town Clerk hereby gives public notice as required by law that he will furnish blanks for the returns to be made by physicians and parents to all persons who apply for them.

DEATHS RECORDED IN NORWELL DURING THE YEAR 1909

Date	Name	Age			Cause of Death	Birthplace	Place of Death
		Y	M	D			
January 4	Sarah Dubois Jackson	74	..	..	Chronic nephritis, senility	Rockaway, N. Y.	Norwell
February 13	Levina T. Hitchcock (Tenney)	85	7	3	Acute bronchitis	New Hampshire	Norwell
March 9	Alpheus Thomas	72	..	1	Chronic endocarditis, art. scler's	Hanover	Norwell
March 9	Margaret Foss (Sloper)	95	10	..	Cerebral degeneration, heart fail'e	New Hampshire	Norwell
April 3	Adeline F. Paine (Jacobs)	80	..	..	Bronchitis, pneumonia	Scituate	Norwell
April 6	Abbie Granderson	69	..	..	Cerebral hemorrhage	Scituate	Norwell
May 10	Jane Macomber (Monroe)	82	..	..	Heart disease.	Canada	Norwell
May 14	Sophronia Jacobs (Litchfield)	91	..	..	Natural causes	Scituate	Norwell
May 17	Martha Gardner (Henderson)	90	3	11	Pneumonia	Newburyport	Norwell
June 4	Helen L. Fogg (Smith)	76	9	..	Valvular disease of heart	Duxbury	Norwell
June 22	David Bassford	79	2	..	Old age, gen. debility, rheumat'm	Maine	Norwell
July 10	Abby Cobbett (Sprague)	55	6	..	Sarcoma	Marshfield	Norwell
August 14	Annie May Thomas	..	..	3	Marasmus	Norwell	Norwell
August 17	Edwin L. Berry	33	10	..	Tumor of brain	South Scituate	Norwell
August 30	Richard S. Winslow	57	..	..	Valvular disease of heart	South Scituate	Norwell
Sept. 2	Albert Lemery Lehan	..	4	7	Gastro intestinal inflammation	Norwell	Norwell
Sept. 3	Lydia E. Barnes (Brooks)	58	10	11	Apoplexy	Hanover	Norwell
Sept. 10	Peterson	..	..	1	Prematurity	Boston	Boston
October 14	Catherine V. Green (Weeden)	62	6	6	Dedoena of lungs	Boston	Duxbury
October 21	Elvira Peterson (Wicklander)	29	3	4	Septicaemia, pyelitis, miscarriage	Sweden	Boston
October 16	Mary Loring Bowker	68	..	..	Acute intestinal obstruction	Boston	Taunton
October 28	Amanda F. Coleman (Kender)	93	8	4	Old age, chronic bronchitis	Pembroke	Norwell
Dec. 14	Susan M. Hayden (Fuller)	79	..	..	Nephritis, ovarian tumor	Boston	Norwell
Dec. 23	Nora N. Bates (Kelley)	37	..	..	Typhoid fever	Ireland	Norwell

BROUGHT INTO TOWN FOR BURIAL IN 1909

Date of Death	Name	Age			Cause of Death	Place of Death
		Y	M	D		
May 7	E. Francis Lincoln	73	6	25	Cerebral hemorrhage	Brockton
June 25	Ellen James	75	9	25	.. .. .	Medford
July 8	Martha Dunbar Burrell	91	10	3	.. .. .	Brockton
August 21	Joseph Harrison Eaton	..	6	..	.. .. .	Scituate
Nov. 1	Nellie F. Totman	20	3	20	Bronchial pneumonia	Brockton

Number of marriages, 10.

Number of births, 32.

Number of deaths, 24.

Respectfully submitted,

JOSEPH F. MERRITT, Town Clerk.

Report of the Town Treasurer

JANUARY 16, 1909 TO MARCH 6. 1909.

RECEIPTS

To Cash on hand	\$1,664 22
From Andrew J. Litchfield, Collector	400 00
Dog Tax refunded	344 14
Income Massachusetts School Fund	1,258 41
Town of Canton, aid refunded	176 00
Pembroke, aid refunded	14 25
Holbrook, aid refunded	93 76
Scituate, aid refunded	197 90
Hanover, aid refunded	14 50
Rockland, aid refunded	10 50
Rockland Trust Company, interest	18 25

\$4,191 93

PAYMENTS

Highway Account	\$24 00
Almshouse	170 91
Outdoor Poor	84 27
State Aid	286 00
School Account	1,497 38

State School Fund	\$12 21	
Town Officers	129 30	
Gypsy Moth Account	349 04	
Incidentals	180 70	
Soldiers' Relief	120 00	
Cemetery Account	27 85	
Board of Health	95 25	
Cash on hand March 6, 1909, to balance	1,215 02	
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		\$4,191 93

Respectfully submitted,

HORACE T. FOGG,
Treasurer.

Report of the Town Treasurer

MARCH 6, 1909 to JANUARY 17, 1910

RECEIPTS

From Horace T. Fogg, Treasurer	\$1,215 02
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From Andrew J. Litchfield, Collector of taxes

Real and personal, assessment of

1908	\$2,968 05
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Poll taxes, assessment of 1908	336 00
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Interest on overdue taxes	87 68
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Interest on overdue taxes (of previous years)	12 00
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Abatements	201 84
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Gypsy Moth Taxes	60 69
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Unpaid and amount deposited with treasurer	11 24
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\$3,677 50

From Frank W. Jones, Collector of taxes

Real, assessment of 1909	\$7,100 00
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Personal, assessment of 1909	2,675 00
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Poll taxes, assessment of 1909	631 00
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Street Railway Excise tax of 1909	295 42
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\$10,701 42

From Elmer A. Stevens, State Treasurer

Corporation Tax (Balance 1908)	\$33 85	
Corporation Tax	2,279 57	
National Bank Tax	615 13	
Street Railway Tax	230 59	
State Aid refunded	2,132 00	
Military Aid refunded	8 00	
Burial of Soldiers refunded	70 00	
Board of Sick Pauper	2 00	
Gypsy Moth account	1,019 70	
Inspection of Animals	17 25	
	<hr/>	\$6,408 09

From Rockland Trust Co. Interest on

Balance	\$23 51	
Superintendent of Almshouse	67 00	
Second District Court, fines	35 32	
Sealer of Weights and Measures	1 07	
Paine Furniture Company, refund	3 00	
	<hr/>	\$129 90

From Licenses

George S. Hatch, carriage	\$1 00	
N. Y. & B. Des. Ex. Transport- ation of Liquor	1 00	
E. B. Tobey, pedlers	6 00	
John Monahan, pedlers	6 00	
Charles Gleason, pedlers	6 00	
E. P. Saggese, bowling and pool	6 00	
Otis H. Perry, pool	2 00	
H. G. Simmons, slaughter house	1 00	
H. J. Corthell, slaughter house	1 00	
W. W. Cutler, slaughter house	1 00	
Wallace Damon, slaughter house	1 00	
Walter J. Wagner, slaughter house	1 00	
	<hr/>	\$33 00

From South Scituate Savings Bank	
Anticipation of taxes, 1909	\$7,500 00

FOR SCHOOL PURPOSES ONLY

Horace T. Fogg, County Treasurer	
Dog tax of 1909	\$392 58
Elmer A. Stevens, state treasurer	
Tuition of Children	215 50
High School Tuition	500 00
Superintendent of Schools	416 66
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	\$1,524 74
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	\$31,189 67

PAYMENTS

Highway account	\$2,860 39
Highway account, special work	475 00
Squares and triangles	98 89
Removing snow	40 25
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	\$3,474 53
Almshouse account	\$1,138 13
Outdoor poor	1,835 51
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	\$2,973 64
State Aid	\$1,854 00
Soldier's Relief	458 72
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	\$2,312 72

Support of schools	\$7,714 82	
State school fund	601 17	
	<hr/>	\$8,315 99
Town officer account	\$1,573 50	
Police officers, order of Second Dist. Court	47 56	
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Gypsy moth account 1908	\$1 40	
Gypsy moth account 1909	942 40	
	<hr/>	\$943 80
Notes and interest paid		
Note due March 15, 1909	\$1,000 00	
Interest on above note	18 00	
Anticipation notes of 1909	4,500 00	
Interest on above notes	91 75	
Interest on "A. T. Otis" poor fund note	52 00	
Interest on "Coffin fund" note	80 00	
Interest on note due Decem- ber 30, 1910	60 00	
	<hr/>	\$5,801 75
Incidentals and Suppression of Crime	\$458 35	
Suppression of Crime	2 00	
	<hr/>	\$460 35
Town Hall Account	\$103 45	
Tree Warden Account	49 75	
Board of Health Account	69 28	

Fire Extinguishers	\$104 48
James Library	100 00
Post 112, G. A. R.	150 00
John H. Crocker, moderator	5 00
Electric Lights	8 00
School Physician	6 75
Burial Agent's Fee	2 00

\$598 71

Abatement of Taxes, 1908	\$201 84
Abatement of Taxes, 1906-1907	27 88
Scituate Tax	6 22
State Tax	1,395 00
County Tax	1,465 15
Forfeiture to State	23 00

\$3,119 09

Cash on hand, January 17, 1910	
State School Fund	\$251 41
General Funds	1,352 62

\$1,568 03

\$31,189 67

Respectfully submitted,

JOSEPH F. MERRITT,
Treasurer.

Report of Overseers of the Poor.

ALMSHOUSE ACCOUNT. DR.

Articles on hand, Jan. 1, 1909	\$365 25
Charles E. Curtis, supt.	75 00
John S. Gardner, supt.	225 00
Samuel Olson, fish	26 38
A. J. Litchfield, groceries and grain	171 06
Corthell Bros., meat 1908-9	94 66
Curtis & Bates, groceries	124 01
H. S. Turner & Co.	126 94
John Whalen, pigs	6 00
George F. Welch, coal 1908-9	170 79
George H. Turner, fertilizer	8 75
Irving W. Kingman, harness	15 00
Turner Bros., seed	6 15
Wm. W. Cutler, meat	47 83
Paine Furniture Co., linoleum	18 87
Charles W. Tilden, smith work	6 85
W. C. Soule, floor finish	2 75
Sparrell Bros., ice	16 69
John Monahan, dry goods	15 87
H. J. Little, medical attendance	12 25
C. W. and E. H. Sparrell, burial of Abbie Granderson	29 00
W. D. Turner, cash for parts mowing machine	1 85

W. D. Turner, wood	\$28 00
W. D. Turner, plowing	5 50
W. D. Turner, bushel boxes	50
E. W. French, repairing shoes	3 20
John P. Henderson, wood	6 50
George E. Torrey, hay	9 76
Cash paid out by supt.	16 90
I. H. Oakman, hay	11 10
Nathan Cushing Est., hay	20 85
Charles E. Curtis, wood	4 00
Wm. C. Hammond, labor	6 13
A. C. Sylvester, labor	1 50
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	\$1,680 89

ALMSHOUSE ACCOUNT CR.

Milk	\$54 16
Eggs	13 45
Vegetables	2 80
Calf	1 50
Sheet Lead	1 50
Fowl	16 00
Hog	17 88
Paine Furniture Co., credit	3 00
Board of horse	51 00
Board of visitors	12 00
Due from Scituate, board of Edgar Fernald	156 00
Articles on hand Jan 1, 1910	480 75
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	\$810 04
Net cost of almshouse	<hr/> \$870 85

ARTICLES ON HAND JAN. 1, 1910

Hay	\$50 00
Cow	40 00
Horse	40 00
Manure	25 00
Wood	40 00
Fowl	30 00
Grain	3 00
Potatoes	15 00
Pork	20 00
Groceries	15 75
Harnesses	12 50
Farming tools and wagon	100 00
Cabbages	1 50
Carrots	1 00
Coal	75 00
Lumber	12 00

\$480 75

OUT DOOR POOR

A. C. Sylvester

H. S. Turner, supplies	\$52 00
W. D. Turner, wood	21 00
Curtis & Bates, supplies	8 50
H. J. Little, M. D., medical attendance	13 50
W. T. Osborne, expenses to Tewksbury	6 28

\$101 28

James H. Costello and family

E. E. Stetson & Son, supplies	\$10 96
C. L. Howes, M. D., medical attendance	148 50
Town of Hanover, medical attendance	55 00
Town of Rockland, supplies	36 75

\$251 21

Edward Winslow and family

H. J. Little, M. D., medical attendance	\$19 00
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George Litchfield

Town of Whitman	\$6 00
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Eben Leavitt

H. S. Turner, supplies	\$78 21
W. D. Turner, wood	5 00

\$83 21

Mrs. J. F. Crocker

C. L. Howes, medical attendance	\$19 00
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Richard Winslow

E. E. Stetson & Son, supplies	\$32 30
Edgar Lee, nursery	6 00
H. J. Little, M. D., medical attendance	53 75
C. W. & E. H. Sparrell, burial	29 00

\$121 05

Arthur G. Lincoln.

Town of Rockland, supplies	\$47 00
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Alethea Thomas.

C. L. Howes, medical attendance	\$7 00
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Mrs. Abigail Wilder

Mrs. M. E. Glover, nursing	\$64 25	
C. N. Pratt, board	9 85	
Miss Effie M. Blanchard, care	53 55	
C. H. Colgate, M. D., medical attendance	23 50	
Mrs. A. A. Harrington, care	80 00	
John S. Brooks Co., supplies	43 83	
Sarah Orcutt, care	12 50	
H. J. Little, M. D., medical attendance	1 50	
	<hr/>	\$288 98

Mrs. Lucy M. Hatton and Children

Town of Revere, medical attendance	\$50 00	
City of Boston, medical attendance	21 43	
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Mary A. Gardner.

John S. Brooks Co., supplies	\$63 95	
H. J. Little, M. D., medical attendance	26 50	
	<hr/>	\$90 45

Henry Fox.

A. J. Litchfield & Son, supplies	\$45 00	
H. J. Little, M. D., medical attendance	28 50	
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Benjamin Briggs.

A. J. Litchfield, supplies	\$106 00
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Clarence Cromwell.

City of Cambridge, medical attendance	\$51 43
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George Richardson.

City of Boston, board and medical attendance	\$75 71
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Emery Winslow.

E. E. Stetson & Son, supplies	\$4 00
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H. J. Little, M. D., medical attendance	3 00
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\$7 00

Charles H. Wilder.

H. E. Fairbanks, supplies	\$22 00
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Lorenzo Cromwell.

H. J. Little, M. D., medical attendance	\$28 75
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AID TO PERSONS HAVING SETTLEMENT IN
OTHER TOWNS.

Samuel Potter, Plymouth.

C. L. Howes, medical attendance	\$13 00
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Josiah W. Chamberlain, Holbrook.

A. L. MacMillan, M. D., medical attendance, 1907-8	\$123 25
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Mrs. George Keene, Pembroke.

A. L. MacMillan, M. D., medical attendance	\$6 00
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John Prince, Rockland.

A. L. MacMillan, M. D., medical attendance	\$10 50
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Fred Wheelwright, Cohasset

H. J. Little, M. D., medical attendance	\$7 50
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Wm. Hammond, Hanover

W. D. Turner, wood	\$3 00
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H. S. Turner & Co., supplies	3 00
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\$6 00

C. E. McPherson, Canton

A. J. Litchfield & Son, supplies	\$156 00
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Edgar Fernald, Scituate

H. S. Turner & Co., supplies	\$3 50
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L. W. Orcutt, clothing	12 50
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A. J. Litchfield & Son, supplies	9 00
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\$25 00

Samuel Babbett, Hull

H. J. Little, medical attendance	\$4 50
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John P. Melcher and family, Salem

Charles Hammond, medical attendance	\$9 00
C. W. & E. H. Sparrell, burial	12 00
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	\$21 00

Mrs. Mary A. Stetson, Scituate

Wm. P. Grovenstein, medical attendance	\$10 00
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Arthur Douglass, Hanson

C. W. Grose, wood	\$1 75
C. W. Groce, rent	14 00
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	\$15 75

SUMMARY OF POOR ACCOUNT

Total amount paid out door poor	\$1,868 50
Net cost of almshouse	870 85
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	\$2,739 35
Due from other towns	398 50
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	\$2,340 85
Appropriation	2,000 00
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	\$340 85

Town Officers.

Alpheus Thomas, selectman, assessor and overseer of the poor to Jan. 1, 1909	\$84 50
E. E. Stetson, selectman and overseer of the poor and assessor	220 00
W. D. Turner, selectman, overseer of the poor and assessor	216 70
Frank W. Jones, selectman, overseer of the poor and assessor	175 00
Joseph F. Merritt, services as town clerk	117 00
Joseph F. Merritt, services as town treasurer	112 50
Joseph F. Merritt, registrar of voters	25 00
Joseph F. Merritt, fire warden	15 00
Horace T. Fogg, town treasurer to March 6, 1909	27 50
Mary E. Curtis, school committee	50 00
Benjamin Loring, school committee	25 00
George C. Turner, school committee	25 00
James H. Pinkham, auditor	20 00
Walter T. Osborne, constable	63 10
L. Frank Hammond, constable	21 00
Jesse Winslow, constable	17 00
J. Warren Foster	12 50
J. Warren Foster, inspector of animals	44 00
John Whalen, forest warden	30 00
E. M. Sexton, registrar of voters	15 00

John H. Prouty, registrar of voters	\$15 00	
William H. Appleford, registrar of voters	5 00	
Harold E. Stetson, registrar of voters	10 00	
A. J. Litchfield, tax collector	225 00	
Alpheus Damon, inspector of provisions, 1908-9	98 50	
H. J. Little, inspector of provisions	11 25	
E. H. Sparrell, election officer	3 00	
John Whalen, election officer	6 00	
Charles Scully, election officer	6 00	
C. W. Thomas	6 00	
Henry C. Ford	3 00	
J. H. Lehan	3 00	
Amos H. Tilden	6 00	
		\$1,713 55
Appropriation		1,300 00
Exceeded		\$413 55

Incidentals

E. E. Stetson, cash book	\$2 25
E. E. Stetson, journal	3 75
E. E. Stetson, town officers book	4 00
E. E. Stetson, 1-2 barrel soda	2 87
George A. Turner, cover for well	4 25
Town of Pembroke, seeding ponds, 1908 and 1909	16 05
George C. Turner, suppression of crime	1 40
Town of Marshfield, repairs and care of Union bridge for 1908 and 1909	20 52
C. W. and E. H. Sparrell, flowers	20 00
A. J. Litchfield, expenses as sealer	11 18
Vining, South Shore Syndicate, printing	4 00
W. & L. E. Gurley, supplies for Sealer of weights and measures	9 27
Rockland Standard Publishing Co., printing	165 62
Carrie M. Ford, printing	31 00
Carter Ink Co.	83
Arthur B. Curtis, safe	59 67
W. D. Turner, freight and moving safe	10 33
A. W. Brownell, posters and licenses blanks	2 25
Norwell post office envelopes and stamps	49 05
Horace T. Fogg, trustee rent of bank vault	10 00
Horace T. Fogg, legal advice	10 00

A. J. Mitchell, expressing	\$2 15
Southern Mass. Telephone Co., toll service	14 29
Hobbs & Warren, books and blanks	12 95
A. S. Peterson, rubber stamps	1 40
Herbert E. Robbins, justice of peace	25
A. J. Litchfield & Son, pencils and paper	91
A. J. Litchfield, postage and blanks	13 24
Thomas Groom & Co., orders and tax books	10 25
John B. Washburn, transfers	19 50
Bradford P. Stetson, guide boards	7 50
Thomas F. Ash M. D., return of births	25
H. E. Fernald " " "	75
H. J. Little " " "	2 25
C. M. Bartlett " " "	25
C. E. Knight " " "	25
C. H. Colgate " " "	25
C. L. Howes " " "	25
Gilman Osgood " " "	50
Joseph Frame " " "	25
A. L. MacMillan " " "	50
Charles Hammond, " " "	1 00
Walter T. Osborne, suppression of crime	2 00
Leander Damon, " "	2 50
A. W. Robinson, quarantine	26 00
James Smith, Pine street fire	1 05
H. T. Gunderway, " "	1 05
Arthur L. Toppan, " "	1 75
Emery Winslow, " "	70
Richard Winslow, " "	1 05
Clifton S. Dean, " "	87
Clarence Winslow, " "	1 05
Caleb D. Litchfield, Ellms fire	2 45
John Litchfield, "	2 45
Carl Litchfield, "	2 45

A. J. Mitchell, Ellms fire		\$1 40
No. Hanover fire dep't, Pleasant st. fire,	22 11	
William S. Briggs,	" "	1 05
James L. Merritt,	" "	53
Carlton Pinson,	" "	1 05
George E. Sylvester,	" "	2 10
George N. Church,	" "	1 05

		<u>\$601 89</u>
Appropriation,		500 00
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Excess,		\$101 89

Highways

EAST WARD—E. P. JOSEPH

E. P. Joseph, 13 1-2 days at \$2.50	\$33 75
6 horses and 3 men, 4 days at \$15.00	60 00
4 horses and 2 men, 9 days at \$10.00	90 00
2 horses and 1 man, 12 days at 5.00	60 00
1 horse and 1 man, 8 days at \$3.50	28 00
1 man, 34 days at \$2	68 00
Henry Ford and 2 horses, 11 days at \$5	55 00
Henry Ford, man, 4 1-2 days at \$2	9 00
John Burns and 2 horses, 8 1-2 days at \$2	42 50
George H. Turner and man and 2 horses, 8 days, 1 hour	56 88
Carlton Litchfield and 2 horses, 6 days at \$5	30 00
H. W. Cushing	50 00
Tilan Williams, 13 days at \$2	26 00
Ernest Henderson, 5 days at \$2	10 00
Will Henderson, 4 days at \$2	8 00
Walter Wagner, 12 1-2 days at \$2	25 00
Frank Burns, 14 3-4 days at \$2	29 50
Harry Litchfield, 16 days at \$2	32 00
Caleb Litchfield, 7 3-4 days at \$2	15 50
Albert Osborn, 2 days at \$2	4 00
Eddie Jacobs, 5 1-4 days at \$2	10 50
A. H. Tilden, 14 days at \$2	28 00
Harry McHugh, 8 days and 3 hours at \$2	16 75

Ollie Litchfield, 3 1-4 days at \$2	\$6 50	
Lyman Lincoln, 6 days and 1 hour at \$2	12 25	
Clarence Hook, 9 days at \$2	18 00	
Claud Ainsley, 6 days at \$2	12 00	
Charles Bates, Jr., 4 days at \$2	8 00	
Frank L. Thomas, gravel	3 00	
Willard G. Evans, gravel	42	
Mrs. J. Burns, gravel	3 60	
George F. Welch, drain pipe	7 20	
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		\$859 35
E. P. Joseph, balance of 1908	\$193 75	

WEST WARD—JOSEPH BRIGGS

Joseph Briggs, 23 days at \$2.50	\$57 50
Man and 3 horses, 6 3-8 days at \$6.68	42 78
Man and 2 horses 22 1-2 days at \$5.00	112 50
Man and 1 horse, 3 days at \$3.36	10 08
Clifford A. Brett and 2 horses, 5 days at \$5.00	25 00
Walter Simmons and 2 horses, 14 days at \$5.00	70 00
Herbert Simmons and 2 horses, 14 days at \$5.00	70 00
Wm. H. Farrar and 2 horses, 9 days at \$5.00	45 00
C. E. Brewster and oxen, 6 1-2 hours at 62 1-2c	3 31

C. E. Brewster and 2 horses, 5 1-2 days at \$5.00	\$27 50
W. S. Briggs and 2 horses, 4 days at \$5.00	20 00
W. S. Briggs, 9 5-8 days at \$2.00	19 25
Carlton Pinson and 1 horse, 3 days at \$3.36	10 08
Carlton Pinson, 17 3-8 days at \$2.00	34 75
E. Everett Jacobs and horse 2 1-2 days at \$3.36	9 40
E. Everett Jacobs, 2 days at \$2.00	4 00
Timothy Sheehan and horse, 9 1-2 days at \$3.36	31 92
Timothy Sheehan, 17 1-2 days at \$2.00	35 00
Wallace H. Damon, 1 3-8 days at \$2.00	3 50
Horse, 2 days at \$1 68	3 36
Geo. W. Bailey, 16 days at \$2.00	32 00
J. Alden Damon, 30 3-8 days at \$2 00	60 75
Wm. G. Collamore, 13 1-2 days at \$2.00	27 00
Charles Curtis, 11 days, at \$2.00	22 00
John Sheehan, 2 1-2 days at \$2.00	5 00
Geo. H. Bates, 4 1-2 days at \$2.00	9 00
Albion Damon, 11 1-8 days at \$2.00	22 25
Henry L. Studley, 5 days at \$2.00	10 00
A. T. Stoddard, 2 1-2 days at \$2.00	5 00
Alpheus Damon, 5 days at \$2.00	10 00
John Gunderway, 9 days at \$2.00	18 00
Hatherly E. Ainslee, 5 days at \$2.00	10 00
Henry Ainslee, 2 days at \$2.00	4 00
Enoch Johnson, 33 loads gravel at 6c	1 98
Emma Bates, 265 loads gravel at 6c	9 90
J. H. Peckham, 345 loads gravel at 6c	20 60
Hall & Torrey, drain pipe	6 60
Ellsworth Curtis, tile	5 04

\$914 05

SOUTH WARD—L. F. HAMMOND

L. F. Hammond, 21 days at \$2.50	\$52 50
Man and two horses, 26 days at \$5	130 00
George H. Lee, 13 days at \$2	26 00
Oscar Lambert, 1 day at \$2	2 00
George Chamberlain, 10 days and 2 hours at \$2	20 00
Dr. Warren Cushing, sidewalk	50 00
Henry T. Gunderway, 17 1-2 days	35 00
Francis E. Henderson, man and two horses, 26 days at \$5	130 00
Albion Snowdale, 16 days	32 00
Albert Osborne and horse, 4 1-2 days	15 13
Albert Osborne, 2 1-2 days at \$2	5 00
Frank Dyer, 11 days, 1 hour at \$2	22 25
Frank Dyer, man and horse	10 08
William Hammond, 3 days	6 00
Harry A. Gardner and horse, 44 hours at 42c.	18 48
T. Appleford, 16 days 6 hours	33 50
“ “ and horse, 9 hours at 42 c.	3 78
Charles Simmons, 7 1-2 days	15 00
E. A. Jacobs and team, 3 1-2 days	17 50
E. H. Sparrell and team, 4 1-2 days	22 50
Wm. S. Simmons and team, 12 1-2 days	62 50
John Sparrell, 1 day	2 00
Robert Smith, 9 days 1 hour	18 25
Charles Smith, 8 days 5 hours	16 25
Robert Montgomery, 5 days 6 hours	11 50
James Smith, 5 days 5 hours	11 25
James Winslow, 7 days	14 00
John Knapp, 8 days	16 00
Joseph Drake, 9 days	18 00
C. B. Macomber and horse, 6 days	21 16
“ “ 6 days 6 hours	12 50

Gilbert West, 360 loads of gravel at 6c	\$21 60
Emma H. Bates, 52 loads of gravel at 6c	3 12
1 lantern	62
Ames Plow Company	22 20

\$897 67

GENERAL HIGHWAY ACCOUNT.

C. W. Tilden	\$ 50
Good Roads Machine Co.	8 50

\$9 00

SUMMARY OF HIGHWAY ACCOUNTS.

South Ward	\$897 67
West Ward	914 05
East Ward	839 35
E. P. Joseph, balance 1908	193 75
General Highway Account	9 00

\$2,853 82

Appropriation 2,500 00

Exceeded \$353 82

Snow Account

EAST WARD

E. P. Joseph	\$7 50
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WEST WARD

Joseph Briggs	\$8 25	
Walter Simmons	3 00	
Benjamin Loring	17 00	
C. E. Brewster	5 25	
Asa Vining	3 50	
Timothy Sheehan	8 00	
Arthur Damon	1 75	
	<hr/>	\$46 75

SOUTH WARD

E. A. Jacobs	\$7 00	
Edgar Lee	1 00	
F. E. Henderson	5 50	
L. F. Hammond	6 75	
George H. Lee	1 00	
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		\$75 50
Appropriation	\$100 00	
Excise Tax	295 42	
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Unexpended balance		\$319 92

Report of Trustees.

THIRTY-SECOND ANNUAL REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES OF THE COFFIN POOR FUND.

Amount of Fund,		\$2,000 00
Loaned on town note at 4 per cent.		
In Savings Bank, Jan. 1, 1909	\$87 46	
Cash on hand, Jan. 1, 1909	58 50	
Interest on Bank Book	3 02	
Interest on note	80 00	
	<hr/>	\$228 98
 Paid worthy poor	 \$61 99	
Cash on hand, Jan. 1, 1910	84 75	
In bank Jan. 1, 1910	77 24	
Paid care cemetery lot	5 00	
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TWENTY-FOURTH ANNUAL REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES OF THE ABIGAIL T. OTIS CEMETERY AND TOMB FUNDS.

Amount of funds	\$1,500 00	
Interest on deposit Jan. 1. 1909	228 47	
Interest to Jan. 1, 1910	69 38	
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Paid for cemetery repairs and flowers	\$30 00	
Interest on deposit Jan. 1, 1910	257 85	
Amount of funds	1,500 00	
	<hr/>	\$1,787 85

TWENTY-FOURTH ANNUAL REPORT
 OF THE
 TRUSTEES OF THE A. T. OTIS POOR FUND.

Loaned on town note	\$1,300 00	
In Savings Bank	700 00	
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Amount of fund		\$2,000 00

In Savings Bank, Jan. 1, 1909	\$128 51	
Cash on hand, Jan. 1, 1909	72 76	
Interest on Bank Book	33 46	
Interest on Town note	52 00	
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Paid worthy poor	\$75 80	
In bank Jan. 1, 1910	155 97	
Cash on hand	54 96	
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TWENTY-FIRST ANNUAL REPORT
 OF THE
 TRUSTEES OF THE JOSSELYN
 CEMETERY FUND.

Amount of fund	\$200 00	
Interest on deposit Jan. 1, 1909	17 22	
Interest to Jan. 1, 1910	8 76	
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Paid for care of lot	\$8 00	
Interest on deposit Jan. 1, 1910	17 98	
Amount of fund	\$200 00	
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EIGHTEENTH ANNUAL REPORT
OF THE
TRUSTEES OF THE SAMUEL C. CUDWORTH
CEMETERY FUND.

Amount of fund	\$200 00	
Interest on deposit Jan. 1, 1909	28 95	
Interest to Jan. 1, 1910	9 22	
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 Paid for care of lot	 \$8 00	
Interest in bank	30 17	
Amount of funds	200 00	
	<hr/>	\$238 17

FOURTEENTH ANNUAL REPORT
OF THE
TRUSTEES OF THE PRUDENCE C. DELANO
CEMETERY FUND.

Amount of fund	\$300 00	
Interest to Jan. 1, 1909	94 09	
Interest to Jan. 1, 1910	15 90	
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Paid for repairs and care of tomb	\$26 10	
Interest on deposit Jan. 1, 1910	83 89	
Amount of fund	300 00	
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TWELFTH ANNUAL REPORT
OF THE
TRUSTEES OF THE NANCY C. HERSEY
CEMETERY FUND.

Amount of fund	\$100 00	
Interest on deposit Jan. 1, 1909	2 03	
Interest to Jan. 1, 1910	4 12	
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Paid for care of lot	\$4 00	
Interest on deposit, Jan. 1, 1910	2 15	
Amount of fund	100 00	
	<hr/>	\$106 15

TENTH ANNUAL REPORT
OF THE
TRUSTEES OF THE BETSEY TOLMAN
CEMETERY FUND.

Amount of fund	\$100 00	
Interest on deposit Jan. 1, 1909	4 04	
Interest to Jan. 1, 1910	4 16	
	<hr/>	\$108 20

Interest on bank book Jan. 1, 1910	\$8 20	
Amount of fund	100 00	
	<hr/>	\$108 20

SEVENTH ANNUAL REPORT
OF THE
TRUSTEES OF THE GEORGE P. CLAPP
CEMETERY FUND.

Amount of fund	\$100 00	
Interest on deposit Jan. 1, 1909	4 12	
Interest on bank book	4 04	
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		\$108 16

Paid for care of lot	\$4 00	
Interest on deposit Jan. 1, 1910	4 16	
Amount of fund	100 00	
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		\$108 16

SIXTH ANNUAL REPORT
OF THE
TRUSTEES OF THE MARY O. ROBBINS
CEMETERY FUND.

Amount of fund	\$200 00	
Interest on deposit Jan. 1, 1909	7 11	
Interest on bank book	8 36	
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		\$215 47

Paid for care of lot	\$4 00	
Interest on bank book Jan. 1, 1910	11 47	
Amount of fund	200 00	
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		\$215 47

FOURTH ANNUAL REPORT
OF THE
TRUSTEES OF THE CHARLES H. MERRITT
CEMETERY FUND.

Amount of fund	\$50 00	
Interest on deposit Jan. 1, 1909	1 49	
Interest on bank book	2 06	
	<hr/>	\$53 55
 Paid for care of lot	 \$2 00	
Interest on deposit Jan. 1, 1910	1 55	
Amount of fund	50 00	
	<hr/>	\$53 55

FOURTH ANNUAL REPORT
OF THE
TRUSTEES OF THE JAMES W. SAMPSON
CEMETERY FUND.

Amount of fund	\$100 00	
Interest on deposit Jan. 1, 1909	3 97	
Interest on bank book	4 18	
	<hr/>	\$108 15
 Paid for care of lot	 \$4 00	
Interest on deposit Jan. 1, 1910	4 15	
Amount of fund	100 00	
	<hr/>	\$108 15

THIRD ANNUAL REPORT
OF THE
TRUSTEES OF THE ROBBIN'S TOMB FUND.

Amount of fund	\$100 00	
Interest on deposit Jan. 1, 1910	9 32	
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In South Scituate Savings Bank	\$109 32	\$109 32

THIRD ANNUAL REPORT
OF THE
TRUSTEES OF THE DAVIS DAMON
CEMETERY FUND.

Amount of fund	\$100 00	
Interest on deposit Jan. 1, 1909	5 08	
Interest on bank book	4 24	
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		\$109 32
Paid for care of lot	\$4 00	
Interest on deposit Jan. 1, 1910	5 32	
Amount of fund	100 00	
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		\$109 32

THIRD ANNUAL REPORT
OF THE
TRUSTEES OF THE SUSAN C. DAMON
CEMETERY FUND.

Amount of fund	\$100 00	
Interest on deposit Jan. 1, 1909	2 08	
Interest on bank book	4 12	
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		\$106 20

Paid for care of lot	\$4 00
Interest on deposit Jan. 1, 1910	2 20
Amount of fund	100 00

\$106 20

THIRD ANNUAL REPORT
OF THE
TRUSTEES OF THE GEORGE H. BATES
CEMETERY FUND.

Amount of fund	\$100 00
Interest on bank book Jan. 1, 1909	2 04
Interest on bank book	4 12

\$106 16

Paid for care of lot	\$4 00
Interest on deposit Jan. 1, 1910	2 16
Amount of fund	100 00

\$106 16

FIRST ANNUAL REPORT
OF THE
TRUSTEES OF THE GAD LEAVITT
CEMETERY FUND.

Amount of fund	\$100 00
Interest on bank book	1 00

\$101 00

In South Scituate Savings Bank	\$101 00
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State Aid.

John S. Whitney	\$72 00
Peter Ainsley	60 00
Lucy Damon	12 00
Charles D. Barnard	72 00
David Bassford	36 00
Amanda Bassford	48 00
Amanda Coleman	40 00
Abbie F. Coleman	48 00
Josiah W. Chamberlain	72 00
Martha W. Curtis	48 00
Sarah David	48 00
Maria B. Damon	48 00
Frank Dyer	48 00
Daniel R. Ewell	72 00
Matthias French	72 00
Sarah Hatch	48 00
George A. Hatch	60 00
Lydia Hatch	48 00
John H. Howard	48 00
Lebbeus Leach	72 00
Charles M. Leavitt	48 00
Diana Pierce	48 00
William H. Morse	48 00
William O. Merritt	60 00
Howard F. Mann	48 00
William H. Rand	48 00
David P. Robinson	36 00

Harriet Raymond	48 00
Mary Shepperd	48 00
William E. Stone	72 00
Edwin R. Studley	72 00
Rebecca Totman	48 00
John F. Totman	72 00
George O. Torrey	72 00
Susan Tolman	12 00
James Taylor	72 00
James H. Williams	72 00
Esther M. Young	48 00
Margaretta Deming	40 00
Lucy A. Thomas	32 00
Benjamin W. French	24 00
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	\$2,140 00

Soldiers' Relief.

Albion Snowdale

Aid	\$34 00	
Charles Hammond M. D.	15 00	
C. L. Howes, M. D.	4 00	
	<hr/>	\$53 00

Charles David

A. L. MacMillian, M. D.	\$34 50
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J. W. Chamberlain

William S. Simmons, wood	\$20 50	
A. L. MacMillian, M. D.	37 75	
	<hr/>	\$58 25

David Bassford

C. L. Howes, M. D.	\$210 75	
C. W. & E. H. Sparrell, burial	35 00	
	<hr/>	\$245 75

Benjamin Lee

F. E. Henderson, wood	\$5 50	
E. E. Stetson & Son, supplies	47	
Town of Hanover, medical attendance	3 00	
	<hr/>	\$8 97

Mrs. Elisha Coleman

C. L. Howes, M. D.		\$36 50
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Edward Humphrey

Aid	\$27 00	
William P. Grovestein, M. D.	25 00	
	<hr/>	\$52 00

Amanda Coleman

C. L. Howes, M. D.	\$43 00	
C. W. & E. H. Sparrell, burial	35 00	
	<hr/>	\$78 00

\$566 97

Due from the State 35 00

\$531 97

Appropriation 300 00

Exceeded \$231 97

Miscellaneous.

CEMETERY.

J. H. Curtis, labor	\$49 00
Appropriation	100 00
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Unexpended	\$51 00

BOARD OF HEALTH.

Town of Whitman, medical aid and burial of George Litchfield	\$92 25	
J. M. Winslow, quarantine	30 38	
J. Frank Gear, supplies	6 50	
A. J. Mitchell, expressing	1 40	
E. W. Gardner, fumigating	12 60	
H. J. Little, M. D., services and supplies	21 40	
	<hr/>	\$164 53
Appropriation		50 00
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Exceeded		\$114 53

TREE WARDEN.

Lincoln Ellms, trees and setting	\$20 00	
John H. Sparrell, labor	26 25	
J. F. Totman, labor	3 50	
	<hr/>	\$49 75
Appropriation		50 00
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Unexpended		\$ 25

SCHOOL PHYSICIAN.

H. J. Little M. D.	\$6 75	
Appropriation	25 00	
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Unexpended		\$18 25

JAMES LIBRARY

Helen M. Fogg, treasurer	\$50 00	
Mary F. Power, treasurer	50 00	
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		\$100 00
Appropriation	\$100 00	

FIRE APPARATUS

Knight & Thomas, 9 extinguishers	\$89 70	
Lewis A. Brown & Co., pails and brooms	8 13	
W. D. Turner, boxes	4 50	
John Whalen, cash and carting	2 15	
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		\$104 48
Appropriation		100 00
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Exceeded		\$4 48

ELECTRIC LIGHTS

Electric Light & Power Co. of Abington	\$8 00	
Appropriation	100 00	
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Unexpended		\$92 00

SPECIAL APPROPRIATION FOR HIGHWAYS

L. Frank Hammond, on account of contract	\$475 00	
Appropriation	500 00	
Balance to be paid on completion of road		\$25 00

SQUARES AND TRIANGLES

Paid Treas. Church Hill Improvement Society	\$25 00	
Charles H. Jones, work on triangles and common	23 37	
Alexander Black, work on triangles, common and Gaffield Park	29 92	
I. Austin Lincoln, work at Mt. Blue	2 00	
Arthur T. Stoddard, work at junction of High and Washington streets	2 50	
Lincoln Ellms, for shrubs	12 00	
A. J. Litchfield & Son, seed and tools	1 60	
E. H. Sparrell, dressing	2 50	
		\$98 89
Appropriation		100 00
Unexpended		\$1 11

TOWN HALL

H. T. Fogg, insurance	\$30 00
L. F. Hammond, janitor	25 00

L. F. Hammond, labor and material for fence	18 00
W. C. Soule, painting	34 00
George B. Doane, iron pipe	13 50
Frank L. Thomas, cedar posts	7 80
Curtis & Bates, merchandise	3 10
A. J. Litchfield & Son, paint	2 05

\$133 45

No appropriation.

Report of Sealer of Weights and Measures

Number of platform scales sealed	6
Number of all other scales sealed	19
Number of all other scales adjusted	1
Number of all other scales condemned	3
Number of weights sealed	62
Number of dry measures sealed	41
Number of liquid measures sealed	33
Number of liquid measures condemned	1
Number of Linea measures sealed	5

ANDREW J. LITCHFIELD, JR.,
Sealer.

Gypsy and Browntail Moth

Fifth annual report for state fiscal year, ending November 30, 1909.

J. H. Sparrell, labor, team, cash paid and other expenses	\$666 02
J. F. Totman, labor	217 63
F. M. Curtis, labor	107 38
Lyman Lincoln, labor	103 75
Albert Osborn, labor	56 00
Clarence Hook, labor	58 00
J. Everett Stoddard, labor	54 63
Claude Ainslee, labor	25 63
Edward F. Winslow, labor	8 00
Lawrence G. Turner, labor	54 38
George A. Bates, labor	61 12
Irving Henderson labor	3 00
Harry P. Henderson, labor	8 00
N. Y., & B. D. Ex. Co., express and carting	2 04
Curtis & Bates, supplies	1 49
Geo. F. Welch, supplies	1 20
A. J. Litchfield & Son, paint	1 70
Samuel Cabot, creosote	1 40
Jenney Mfg. Co., oil	3 04
Wm. H. Claflin & Co., burlap and twine	47 32
J. F. Merritt	75
Total expenditures	<hr/> \$1,482 48

Total amount charged property owners	\$117 63	
Town liability	358 21	
Amount received from State	1,006 64	
	<hr/>	\$1,482 48

J. H. SPARRELL,
Local Supt.

Location of Fire Extinguishers

Alpheus W. Thomas
Charles W. Thomas
Clifford Brett
Charles N. Gardner
Town Hall
Joseph Briggs
No. 1 School House
Curtis Bros.
Benjamin Loring
Frank L. Thomas
Joseph H. Hatch
William D. Turner
Frank W. Jones
Edward W. Gardner
L. Frank Hammond

Joseph C. Otis
George E. Torrey
Frank Dyer
Joseph Tolman
William Tolman
Melvin Little (two)
Francis E. Henderson
Jesse Reed
Atwood L. Ford
A. J. Litchfield & Son
Curtis & Bates
H. S. Turner & Co.
Town Farm (two)
John Whalen (two)

Tax Collectors' Report.

Andrew J. Litchfield in account with Town of Norwell:

DR.

To outstanding taxes of 1908	\$3,977 82	
To interest collected on taxes	99 68	
	<hr/>	\$4,077 50

CR.

By amount paid treasurer	\$3,966 58	
By interest paid treasurer	99 68	
By cash deposited with treasurer to relieve bondsmen	11 24	
	<hr/>	\$4,077 50

ANDREW J. LITCHFIELD, Collector,

By A. J. Litchfield, Jr., Deputy.

DR.

To assessment of 1909	\$15,711 15	
To excise tax of 1909	295 42	
	<hr/>	\$16,006 57

CR.

By cash paid treasurer	\$10,506 00
By excise tax paid treasurer	295 42
By outstanding taxes	5,205 15
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	\$16,006 67

FRANK W. JONES,
Collector of Taxes, 1909.

I have examined the accounts of the tax collectors for the year 1908 and 1909 and find them correctly cast and vouchers for all amounts paid to treasurer.

JAMES H. PINKHAM,
Auditor.

Dec. 20th, 1909.

Abatement of Taxes

Charles D. Barnard, soldier	\$4 00
David Bassford, soldier	2 00
Charles H. Brownell	2 00
William N. Gardner	2 00
Mrs. Charles B. Hatch	2 40
John H. Prince	2 00
Walter W. Pierce	3 76
Ansel Phillips	2 00
Charles W. Smith, soldier	2 00
Albion Snowdale, soldier	2 25
William Sullivan	2 00
Gilbert S. Trefethen	2 00
Robert Thomas	2 00
James H. Williams, soldier	2 00
Richard S. Winslow	2 00
Emery T. Winslow	2 00
Jane Delano Estate, error in assessment	8 80
Charles E. Brewster, error in assessment	3 20
Walter L. Boynton, soldier	2 00
John Bent	2 00
Arthur W. Blanchard, assessed elsewhere	2 00
John B. Breshneham	4 00
Arthur J. Cobbett	2 00
George W. Davis, soldier	2 00
James Dunbar	2 00
Matthias French, soldier	2 00
Henry Fox	2 00
Joseph J. Eaton, soldier	2 00

Mrs. Jennie Eaton, error in assessment	\$3 20
Charles N. Gardner, soldier	2 00
Brenton Griffin	2 00
Stanley Griffin	2 00
Fred Griffin	2 00
John Howard	6 00
Frank R. Kenyon, assessed elsewhere	6 00
Arthur G. Lincoln	2 00
A. B. Lewis	2 00
Howard F. Mann, soldier	3 92
William H. Morse, soldier	2 00
James L. Prouty	9 60
Charles N. Pratt	2 00
Henry L. Studley	2 00
Edwin R. Studley, soldier	2 00
J. A. Sale, soldier	12 00
William Small	2 00
James Taylor, soldier	2 00
Charles H. Wilder	4 40
John S. Whitney, soldier	2 00
Chester Whiting	2 00
Seth M. Sprague, soldier	4 00
Peter Ainsley, soldier	2 00
Rodney Allen, soldier	2 00
Henry L. Brown, soldier	2 00
Benjamin Briggs	14 80
Daniel R. Ewell, soldier	2 00
George A. Hatch, soldier	2 00
George A. Jackman	2 00
Samuel A. Lester, soldier	2 00
William O. Merritt, soldier	2 00
Wm. H. Martin	2 00
Edwin Reeves	2 00
William E. Stone, soldier	2 00
William T. Sylvester, error in assessment	1 60
Nellie M. Sparrell	4 32

Alonzo C. Sylvester	\$2 00	
Wilbur G. Thayer	3 60	
John F. Totman, soldier	2 00	
Edgar E. Lee	2 00	
A. B. Litchfield, soldier	2 00	
Charles H. Bates	6 00	
Hosea Stetson	6 00	
Samuel Ward	7 20	
Snow Bryant Estate	48	
George E. Jacobs, error in assessment	2 95	
Alexander Blaisdell, soldier	3 24	
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		\$229 72
Appropriation		200 00
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Exceeded		\$29 72

Assessor's Report

Value of bulldings	\$494,385 00
Value of land	235,503 00
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	\$729,888 00
Value of personal property	190,059 00
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Total valuation, 1909	\$919,947 00
Total valuation 1908	866,993 00
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	\$52,954 00

State Tax 1909, \$1,395
County Tax 1909, \$1,465.15
Town Tax, \$15,000
Number of polls assessed, 496
Number of persons assessed, 980
Number assessed poll tax only, 189
Horses assessed, 330
Cows assessed, 195
Sheep assessed, 20
Neat cattle other than cows assessed, 30
Swine assessed, 85
Fowl assessed, 6,373
Dwelling houses assessed, 457
Acres of land assessed, 12,077 1-4
Assessors' warrant to collector, \$15,711.15
Street Railway excise tax, \$295.42

Financial Statement.

LIABILITIES.

Notes in favor of South Scituate Savings Bank:

Time loan due Dec. 31, 1910	\$1,500 00	
Anticipation notes 1909	3,000 00	
Note in favor of the Coffin fund	2,000 00	
Note in favor of Otis fund	1,300 00	
Due to other towns for support of poor	100 00	
	<hr/>	\$7,900 00

ASSETS.

Due from State aid	\$2,140 00	
Due from towns for aid of poor	398 50	
Due Almshouse for board of Edgar Fernald	156 00	
Cash in hands of treasurer	1,568 03	
Uncollected taxes	5,205 15	
	<hr/>	\$9,467 68
Balance in favor of town		<hr/> \$1,567 68

RECAPITULATION.

Incidentals	\$601 89
State aid	2,140 00
Soldiers' relief	566 97
Gypsy moth	1,367 84
Cemetery	49 00
Board of Health	164 53
Tree warden	49 75
James library	100 00
School physician	6 75
Fire apparatus	104 48
Electric lights	8 00
Special appropriation for highways	475 00
Squares and triangles	98 89
Removing snow	75 50
Highway account	2,853 82
Almshouse	1,315 64
Outdoor poor	1,868 50
Town officers	1,713 55
Town note	1,000 00
Taxes abated	229 72
Town hall	133 45
Post 112	150 00
Support of schools	9,825 58
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	\$24,898 86

CREDITS.

Almshouse	\$810 04
State aid	2,140 00
Due from town's poor account	398 50
Schools, from state and other towns	3,127 29
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	\$6,475 83

Appropriations Recommended For 1910

Support of poor		\$2,000 00
Incidentals		500 00
Support of schools		6,500 00
Highways, general repairs	\$2,000 00	
Special road work	1,000 00	
	<hr/>	3,000 00

Removing snow, street railway excise tax and	200 00
Memorial Day	150 00
State aid	2,000 00
Soldiers' relief	300 00
Town officers	1,500 00
Appropriation for taking valuation	800 00
Washington street cemetery	50 00
Tree warden	25 00
Board of Health	50 00
School physician	25 00
Squares and triangles	100 00
Town hall	50 00
Electric lights	200 00
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\$17,450 00

Auditor's Report

I have examined the accounts of the Treasurer, Selectmen Overseers of the Poor and Collector and find them correctly cast with vouchers for all amounts paid, with a cash balance in the hands of the Treasurer of \$1,568.03. I was present at the transfer of all books and papers turned over by Ex-Town Treasurer Horace T. Fogg to Town Treasurer Joseph F. Merritt and found the cash balance of the same correct. I have also examined and audited all copies sent to press by the Selectmen for the annual town report.

JAMES H. PINKHAM,

Auditor.

Transcript of Articles in the Warrant

FOR THE ANNUAL MEETING MONDAY, THE SEVENTH
DAY OF MARCH, 1910, AT SEVEN O'CLOCK.
IN THE FORENOON.

Article 1. To choose a Moderator.

Art. 2. To bring in their votes for a Town Clerk for one year; one Selectman, one Assessor and one Overseer of the Poor for three years; a Treasurer, a Collector of Taxes, an Auditor, a Surveyor of Highways, five Constables and a Tree Warden for one year; one member of the School Committee, one member of the Board of Health for three years, and to vote "yes" or "no" in answer to the question: "Shall licenses be granted for the sale of intoxicating liquors in this town?" All on one ballot. Polls open from 7 A. M. to 11 A. M.

Art. 3. To hear the reports of the several boards of officers and committees of the town and act thereon.

Art. 4. To make the necessary appropriations to defray the expenses of the town and for other purposes, and to raise such sums of money as the town shall deem expedient.

Art. 5. To see if the Town will authorize the treasurer, under the direction of the selectmen, to borrow money in anticipation of taxes, and for disbursement under the provisions of the law relating to State Aid and Military Aid and to defray the expenses of the town.

Art. 6. What compensation will the town make for removing snow and appropriate money for the same.

Art. 7. In what manner and time shall the taxes be collected the ensuing year.

Art. 8. To make allowance to town creditors.

Art. 9. What sum of money will the town appropriate for the use of Post 112, G. A. R., on Memorial Day.

Art. 10. Will the town cause a statement of its financial affairs to be printed in February next.

Art. 11. Will the town appropriate a sum of money to be expended in cemetery on Washington street.

Art. 12. What price will the town pay for labor on the highways for the ensuing year.

Art. 13. What action will the town take in regard to keeping the sidewalks in repair

Art. 14. Will the town give any instructions to the town officers.

Art. 15. What price will the town pay for work at fires for the ensuing year

Art. 16. Will the town take any action in regard to the care of parks, squares and triangles, and make any appropriation for the same.

Art. 17. Will the town make an appropriation for the James library in return for the free privilege of taking books which the townspeople now have.

Art. 18. Will the town appropriate a sum of money to be expended under the direction of the Massachusetts Highway Commission in the construction of one mile of road.

Art. 19. Will the town contract with the Massachusetts Highway Commission for the construction of said mile of road

Art. 20. Will the town act in conjunction with the town of Hanover, to have an electric light at the terminus of River street, Norwell, and Broadway, Hanover, at the Third Herring brook.

Art. 21. Will the town appropriate the sum of three hundred and sixty-seven dollars and ninety-eight cents for the suppression of Gypsy and Browntail moths.

Art. 22. What sum of money will the town appropriate to pay the Superintendent of Schools

Citizens desiring additional articles in the warrant must present them to the selectmen on or before 5 o'clock, P. M., February 19, 1910

EZRA E. STETSON,
WILLIAM D. TURNER,
FRANK W. JONES,

Selectmen of Norwell.

ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

SCHOOL COMMITTEE

OF THE

TOWN OF NORWELL

FOR THE YEAR 1909

School Report

To the Citizens of Norwell:—

In submitting to you our annual report, we would especially call your attention to the reports of the Superintendent of School, the Principal of the High school, the music and drawing teachers, respectively.

The record of attendance during the year has been very good, except for a siege of whooping-cough which practically spoiled the attendance during the Spring term in Dists. No. 5 & 6, our record would have been the best for years. Dist. No. 1 has eight pupils who have not been absent during the year. Miss Dorothy Litchfield of the High School and Master Harold Turner of Dist. No. 1, have not been absent for two years, which fact, is, we think, worthy of mention.

We were unable to hold our union Decoration Day exercises this year on account of the prevalence of whooping-cough as these exercises are so much enjoyed by both parents and children, we trust nothing will prevent their occurrence next year.

Our school buildings are now in good repair, we have a corps of efficient teachers, we have books and supplies furnished for all and why should not our children acquire an education?

First, let us see what is done for us by the State, it gives us a general fund which we devote to teachers' salaries, a fund which pays half the Superintendent's salary, a fund of \$166 2-3 on account of teachers salaries (this fund given to

small towns employing a Superintendent of Schools) a fund of \$500 especially for the High School. With the High School Fund we were enabled to pay the salaries of the teachers for two months, pay the entire cost of the music teacher and buy all the books and supplies needed exclusively by the High School for the whole year. Do you think our pupils appreciate this?

Is it not about time that the matter was brought to their attention and to the attention of the parents as well?

Our graduating class this year had eight members, two of these entered the Normal School without farther examination, being accepted on account of their high rank in our school. The other members of the class not caring to pursue their studies farther just at this time, have every one accepted good positions.

Mr. Martin, Secretary of the State Board of Education, in an address before the Massachusetts State Teachers' Association says, "The object of education is two-fold—first, to fit the child to go alone, second, to fit the child to do the world's work." And is not that just exactly what we want to do? You, as parents, want to feel that you are fitting your child to take some place in the world, in other words, to earn his own living and earn it in good shape, too.

During the first five and six years in school life, a child goes to school because he is sent, and even during that time you often hear a child say, "I shall be so-and-so when I grow up", if it be a worthy ambition, encourage him, do everything to help him along, if not, turn his mind to something better, those are the years when children's tastes are formed, "As the twig is bent the tree inclines." The last years of the Grammar school and the High school life should be thoughtful years, the training for which begins in the home.

Every child should have some few tasks at home which he is obliged to perform, let him feel that there are certain things depending upon him, give him a sense of responsibility and when at school he is required to conform to rules

and regulations, it will not be so hard. When a child is old enough for High school work, he should have been taught that Life is not all pleasure, that there is a work to be done in the world and that he has only a few more years in which to prepare for it and that this is his golden opportunity, for, as in all towns, to the great majority of pupils, the High School Course is the end of school life. When we can rescue our children from this restless, "don't care" spirit that seems to pervade the school atmosphere, we shall have gone a long way in their education. Again, quoting from Mr. Martin's speech, "Having given them much, the public has a right to require much of them. They, too, should begin to look the world's work squarely in the face, not only the work of the office and counting room, but the work of the shop and the mill. The most striking feature of modern productive industry is the extent to which it has turned to practical use the advancing knowledge of the sciences and mathematics.

"Agriculture has been revolutionized just so far as it has made use of chemistry and biology and botany. In the manufacture of leather and paper and textiles and food products, and in the refining of metals, chemistry has wrought changes as great. In the manufacture and use of steam and electric power, physics has done a similar work. In the enormous development of engineering, science and the time-honored algebra and geometry have come to their fullest fruition. Is it not possible, is it not necessary, that the windows of the high school should be thrown wide open to the light and air of this new industrial life? By turning their study of science and mathematics and some of their history into these new channels, the high schools would lose nothing of their dignity while adding immensely to their usefulness. There is a moral element without which there can be no real and permanent industrial efficiency.

"Unless the workman feels a sense of obligation to his employer, to the public and to himself to do the best work he is

capable of doing, he is not a good workman, no matter how much he knows of his trade and how skillful he can be.

“Ask nine-tenths, I might almost say ninety-nine hundredths of the women who employ domestic labor, and a majority of men who employ workmen of any kind, and they will tell you that their most serious trouble is not that workmen do not know, it is that they do not care. This is the most deep-seated, the most pervasive, the most subtle evil in modern industrial life. It is a disease of the will and the conscience. To remedy it will take all the effort of the schools. But it will take more; it will tax the wisdom and the effort of the home and the church and it will need the co-operation of the great organizations of labor, which should add to all their beneficent efforts for the working-man this supreme sort of education.”

Respectfully submitted,

BENJAMIN LORING,
GEORGE C. TURNER,
MARY E. CURTIS,

School Committee of Norwell.

Expenditures

EXPENDITURES CHARGEABLE TO THE APPROPRIATION.

For the winter term of 1909, but chargeable to the appropriation of 1908.

TEACHERS' SALARIES.

Elwin R. Bemis	\$237 50
Margaret E. Marshall	137 50
W. Scott Osborne	23 75
Irene H. Fielding	123 75
Martha C. Scully	110 00
A. Edith Varney	110 00
Nancy M. Bucknam	120 00
Marion G. Merritt	100 00
Eva S. Burns	100 00
Maria W. Tolman	100 00
Bertha M. Tilden	37 50
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	\$1,200 00

SUPERVISION

James S. Hayes	\$150 00
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TRANSPORTATION.

Mrs. E. L. Loring	\$216 00	
John F. Osborne	192 00	
L. F. Hammond	192 00	
J. L. Litchfield	180 00	
John Whalen	90 00	
	<hr/>	\$870 00

CARE OF ROOMS

L. F. Hammond, High School	\$60 00	
H. Earle Ainslie, Dist. No. 1	10 00	
J. Lewis Merritt, Dist. No. 5	20 00	
F. L. Thomas, Dist. No. 6	15 00	
Wm. C. Tolman, Dist. No. 7 (two terms)	22 75	
	<hr/>	\$127 75

EXPENDITURES CHARGEABLE TO THE
APPROPRIATION

For Spring and Fall terms, 1909.

Elwin R. Bemis, High School	\$173 75
W. Scott Osborne, High School	225 25
F. W. Carrier, High School	200 00
Margaret E. Marshall, 1st assistant	162 50
Eudora E. Ripley, 1st assistant	100 00
Irene H. Fielding, 2nd assistant	78 75
Mrs. M. M. Ennis, 2nd assistant	22 50
Mary G. Magner, 2nd assistant	90 00

Martha C. Scully, Dist. No. 1 Grammar School	\$308 00	
Edith M. Moulton, Dist. No. 1 Primary School	271 00	
Nancy M. Bucknam, Dist. No. 5 Grammar School	336 00	
Marion G. Merritt, Dist. No. 5 Primary School	280 00	
Eva S. Burns, Dist. No. 6 Mixed School	280 00	
Maria W. Tolman, Dist. No. 7 Primary School	280 00	
Bertha M. Tilden, Drawing teacher	87 50	
	<hr/>	\$2,895 25

SUPERINTENDENT

Received from state	\$250 00	
Town appropriation	250 00	
	<hr/>	\$500 00
Paid James S. Hayes		350 00
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		\$150 00

CLEANING SCHOOL HOUSES

Mrs. E. C. Jones, Dist. No. 1	\$12 00	
Mrs. M. A. Osborne, Dist. No. 5	10 00	
Mrs. H. E. Randall, Dist. No. 6	6 00	
Mrs. E. L. Winslow, Dist. No. 7	6 00	
	<hr/>	\$34 00

CARE OF ROOMS

L. F. Hammond, High School	\$140 00
H. Earle Ainslie, Dist. No. 1	40 50
Mrs. M. A. Osborne, Dist. No. 5	42 00
F. L. Thomas, Dist. No. 6	42 00
Wm. C. Tolman, Dist. No. 7	42 00

\$306 50

TRANSPORTATION

Mrs. E. L. Loring	\$560 00
L. F. Hammond	504 00
John Whalen	280 00
John F. Osborne	504 00
J. L. Litchfield	420 00
George S. Hatch	5 00
W. O. Merritt, transportation of sick pupil	1 00
E. M. Sexton, transportation of sick pupil	1 00

\$2,275 00

BOOKS AND SCHOOL SUPPLIES

Samuel Ward Co., diplomas	\$8 00
Wadsworth, Howland Co., supplies	4 40
E. E. Babb & Co., supplies	151 17
Educational Pub. Co., supplies	5 00
American Book Co., books	73 68
C. M. Ford, printing	14 75

\$257 00

FUEL AND FITTING

W. D. Turner, wood	\$20 00
W. D. Turner, measuring wood	75
W. C. Tolman, housing wood	1 00
Wallace Hackett, wood, 1905	6 50
F. E. Henderson, wood and sawing	13 00
John W. Burns, wood, as per contract	31 75
W. H. Briggs, sawing wood No. 5	5 00
T. C. Sampson, wood, as per contract	18 00
Benjamin Loring, wood, as per contract	23 00
Henry Pinson, housing wood No. 5	2 50
Charles H. Jones, sawing wood No. 6	3 00
Ralph Gardner, sawing and housing wood No. 7	6 25
F. L. Temple, sawing wood No. 1	5 00
E. L. Loring, labor on wood No. 1	10 00
F. L. Thomas, housing wood No. 6	1 50
C. A. Brett, coal	87 00
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	\$234 25

SUPPLIES AND INCIDENTALS

Walter T. Osborn, truant officer	\$4 50
Curtis & Bates, supplies	7 05
N. Y. & Bos. Ex. Co. Express and cart- ing freight	18 65
J. Lewis Merritt, labor at Town Hall	50
M. E. Curtis, postage, telephoning, expenses	9 80
John Whalen, labor, carting wood, moving desks	8 75
H. L. Merritt, carpentering and materials	17 78
A. J. Litchfield & Son, supplies	4 88

Patrick McNicol, cleaning vaults	\$8 00	
C. A. Bruce, labor at church	2 50	
Clarence Winslow, cleaning vault	2 00	
W. H. Spencer, materials and labor on stoves	14 35	
Hall & Torrey, supplies	6 42	
Levi N. Osborne, stock and labor at No. 1	32 00	
W. C. Soule, painting Dist. No. 5 school house	100 00	
W. C. Soule, setting glass	75	
W. W. Wade, tuning pianos	4 00	
George F. Welch, lumber and hardware	14 89	
James S. Hayes, expenses in securing teachers	4 60	
C. E. Simmons, labor at No. 7	1 00	
C. L. Rice & Son, chairs	3 90	
G. C. Turner, expenses in securing teacher	1 25	
Wm. C. Tolman, labor at No. 7	75	
F. L. Thomas, labor at No. 6	2 00	
H. T. Fogg, legal advice	12 00	
J. F. Wilder, mason work at No. 6	1 50	
	<hr/>	\$283 82

HIGH SCHOOL FUND.

Unexpended balance from last year	\$328 79	
Received from State	500 00	
	<hr/>	\$828 79
F. W. Carrier, teaching High School 2 months	\$200 00	
Eudora E. Ripley, First Ass't High School, 2 months	100 00	

Mary G. Wagner, Second Ass't High School 2 months	\$90 00	
Orville Brewer Pub. Co., music	1 80	
Oliver Ditson Co., music	17 33	
C. C. Birchard & Co., music books	14 40	
Mrs. L. C. Stoddard, teaching singing	65 00	
Mrs. W. T. Osborn, pianist	10 00	
Houghton, Mifflin Co., books	2 52	
Milton Bradley Co., supplies	3 54	
L. E. Knot Apparatus Co., supplies	14 61	
American Book Co., books and supplies	35 49	
Ginn & Co., books and supplies	31 62	
Allyn & Bacon, books and supplies	1 17	
E. E. Babb & Co., books and supplies	17 80	
D. C. Heath & Co., books aud supplies	8 10	
	<hr/>	\$613 38
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		\$215 41

AVAILABLE FUNDS FOR PRESENT YEAR.

Town appropriation	\$6,500 00	
Dog tax	344 14	
State Board of Charity	215 50	
State School Fund	1,258 41	
Received from State on account of teachers' salaries	166 66	
	<hr/>	\$8,484 71
Amount expended		<hr/>
		6,460 82
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		\$2,023 89
Expenses to April, estimated		<hr/>
		\$2,000 00
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		\$23 89

I have examined the accounts of the School Committee and find them correctly cast and vouchers for all amounts paid.

JAMES H. PINKHAM,
Auditor.

January 22, 1910.

ABSTRACT FROM REGISTERS.

	Winter Term, 1909				Spring Term, 1909				Fall Term, 1909			
	Number enrolled	Average membership	Average attendance	Per cent. of attendance	Number enrolled	Average membership	Average attendance	Per cent. of attendance	Number enrolled	Average membership	Average attendance	Per cent. of attendance
No. 1 Primary	36	34.58	32.45	.94	35	34.82	33.02	.94	33	32.31	31.12	.96
No. 1 Grammar	31	30.75	29.12	.94	32	30.	28.35	.95	38	36.35	34.94	.96
No. 5 Primary	28	26.87	23.37	.87	28	20.83	17.52	.84	40	38.45	35.85	.93
No. 5 Grammar	29	28.9	27.13	.94	31	27.06	24.4	.90	40	38.1	35.7	.91
No. 6 Mixed	29	29.	26.46	.91	32	24.8	22.82	.92	30	27.23	24.84	.91
No. 7 Primary	23	22.66	20.31	.89	26	24.6	23.31	.94	27	26.67	25.69	.96
High School	57	56.33	52.	.92	56	55.3	50.	.90	60	59.33	54.7	.94

Norwell Public Schools

PUPILS NOT ABSENT FOR ONE YEAR.

Dorothy Litchfield
Etta Roberts
Eugene Roberts
Edward Roberts
Elizabeth Lee
Harold Turner
Allan Thompson

Lucile Jones
Bessie Bent
Howard Cobbett
Mildred Mott
Wilson Morrill
Irving Wilder

NOT ABSENT FOR TWO TERMS

Florence Williams
Mae Collamore
Alice Farrar
Ralph Lambert
Helen Farrar
Annie Olson
Edwin Osborne
Ethel Tolman
Edna Farrar
James Eli
Frederick Lee
Frank Tate
Levi Olson
Robert Leavitt

Newell Roberts
Clement Ross
Josephine Farrar
Elva Prouty
Olive Briggs
Elizabeth Corthell
Otis Corthell
Russell Olson
Emily Wagner
Herbert Lincoln
Ruth Tolman
Otto Olson
John White
Wesley Osborne

Christina Olson
 Harley Woodward
 Lloyd Prouty
 Evelyn Crocker
 Ashley Jones
 Harry Monahan

Lawrence Osborne
 Donald Wilder
 Emma Mauthorn
 Lillian Crocker
 Hazel Jones
 Arthur Osborne

NOT ABSENT FOR ONE TERM

Helen Litchfie'd
 Elmer Leavitt
 Lucy Williams
 Mildred Litchfield
 Alberta Chamberlain
 Gertrude Gardner
 Edward Peckham
 Minnie Fatoоче
 Lillian Ford
 Mary Ryan
 Elsie Burns
 Francis Leslie
 Seth Thomas
 James Bates
 Albert Perry
 Amy Prouty
 Rosetta Keene
 Edward Cobbett
 Virgil Jones
 Wilbur Burns
 Sadie Black
 Louise Whiting
 Willie Gray
 Floyd Osborne
 Mildred Bates

Dora Black
 Emily Burns
 Harriet Leach
 Lawrence Turner
 Ruth Kidder
 Daisy Peckham
 Willard Robinson
 Joseph Bates
 Miriam Ford
 Ethel Soule
 Lawrence Soule
 Fred Olson
 Maisie Dyer
 Evelyn Ford
 Claude Ainslie
 Arthur Merritt
 Marion Jacobs
 Doris Ainslie
 Ethel Burns
 Bertha Jackman
 Margaret Tolman
 Stanley Winslow
 Bernard Schultz
 Grace Farrar
 Elizabeth Jacobs

Pearl Schultz	Mildred Blake
Grace Morrill	Hazel Damon
Glenwood Jones	Minnie Gardner
Francis Damon	Alfred Bates
Lawson Griffin	Grace Sproul
Alma Litchfield	Helen Pratt
Hazel Pratt	Marvel Morgan
Viola Martin	

GRADUATING EXERCISES OF THE NORWELL HIGH
SCHOOL, UNITARIAN CHURCH., JUNE
TWENTY-FIFTH, 1909.

Motto: "Non Palmae Sine Labore."

PROGRAM

Prayer	Rev. E. W. Ennis
Response	School
Salutatory and Essay, "Japan"	Maud Schultz
Song, "Paul Revere's Ride", Part I	School
Essay, "The Evolution of Music"	Emily Burns
Song, Selected	Mrs. Stoddard
Class History,	Carrie Wilder
Essay, "Wireless Telegraphy,"	Henry Spencer
Song, "Paul Revere's Ride" Part II	School
Class Prophecy,	Xoa Damon
Song, Selected	
Essay, "American Literature"	Lucy Williams
Song, "Paul Revere's Ride," Part III	School

The Washington Trip	Lena Leslie
Song, "Clickety-Click March"	School
Valedictory and Essay, "The Arthurian Legend",	Antoinette Jacobs
Presentation of Diplomas	Mr. J. S. Hayes
Benediction	

GRADUATES

Emily Burns	Maude Woodworth Schultz
Xoa Agnes Damon	Henry Francis Spencer
Lena Mae Leslie	Carrie Mae Wilder
Antoinette Elizabeth Jacobs	Lucy Snell Williams

CLASS OFFICERS

Miss Leslie	President
Miss Wilder	Vice-President
Miss Schultz	Secretary
Mr. Spencer	Treasurer

Class Flower—American Beauty Rose.

Class Colors—Black and Gold.

Superintendent's Report.

To the School Committee of Norwell :

The following is submitted as the second annual report of the Superintendent of Schools.

The aim of the public school should be to develop character in the broadest way, to lay the foundation for intelligent men and women, and to inspire the children to become useful citizens. It should be the duty of teachers to work with such objects in view.

Because a pupil is slow to learn is no assurance that he may not later become a thorough student, and a broad-gauged man. Many of the best men of our country were boys who disliked study and who were classed as "dullards." In twenty-five years time who can say that the little, ragged, dirty, unkempt urchin who sits in the front seat may, or may not, be one of our most successful men.

In some of our schools there are pupils who do not classify well, who are able to do more work than the class as a whole, or are not able to do as much as the average. It is a question what to do with them. The failure to keep up with the class is nearly always due to irregular attendance. This subject of school attendance has been called to the attention of the parents so often, that it is nearly threadbare. Only when the child is not allowed to go on with his class does the full effect come home. It is perfectly useless to expect, or demand, that all the education the child is to get is to be furnished by one or two teach-

ers, he taking his share of time along with twenty or thirty others. Should the average be thirty children in the room that means ten minutes a day, or fifty minutes a week for him should his attendance be perfect. How much must the teacher do in this short time ! How much must she overcome should his attendance be irregular?

The work of the teachers is satisfactory taking all things into consideration.

The Grammar School at No. 1 is large and working well. A little more energy would help make better workers, and would result in more forceful and finished scholars.

No. 1 Primary is backward in the upper grades, and extra effort is being made to overcome it.

No. 5 Primary has forty pupils in four grades. The great differences shown in children were apparent here in the entering class; in the short space of two weeks the class had to be divided into two sections, and some in the second section already show that their work must be repeated another year. This really makes five grades in the largest primary school.

No. 5 Grammar had thirty-eight pupils; the sixth grade, or entering class, having one-half the entire number. This school has periods of strength and weakness. Some of the pupils have the most peculiar ideas, and manner of doing things. They have ability, but it seems to hurt their feelings to have to be guided by the teacher and live up to certain rules. Home training will help place it on a better basis.

No. 6 Primary is smaller than last year numbering about thirty. Some children in this school have a habit of absenting themselves upon slight pretext. They miss much helpful, forceful instruction.

No. 7 Primary, Church Hill, has a full school this year, seats having been provided for twenty-eight. The harmony existing between teacher and pupils is strong and helpful.

I believe all our teachers are conscientious, and striving to give the town the best that is in them in directing the youth in the way it should go. No great changes have been made in the work in the grades this year; a little stronger emphasis has been placed upon reading, arithmetic and spelling, and better results are expected to be gained. In geography an attempt has been made to rearrange and systematize the work. The new text books are filling a long felt want.

DRAWING AND MUSIC.

The work in drawing has gone forward with rapid strides in the grades, and specimens of the pupils' work adorn the walls in each room. "Beaming with satisfaction" expresses the appearance of the pupil's face when his specimen is accepted. The work in the High School shows talent, and skill in execution, but the careless and sometimes slovenly appearance of some papers lowers the percentage in class work.

The work done in Music in the High School might be classed in the same way; we have a large number who cannot read the notes, and this is, of itself, a handicap. If a small fraction of the teacher's faithful work would take root we would soon have great results.

Music should be taught in all the grades with, or without, a special teacher, preferably with one.

HIGH SCHOOL

This topic is one of the live ones in our town. Once in a while something happens to disturb the progress of the school machinery, giving us rather an uncomfortable jolt, and causing some hours of extra work before we can get things running smoothly again. Such a jolt "came" to us

the past year, but fortunately was of short duration ; after the reaction, the work went smoothly.

Changes in the teaching force occur each year, and school opened in September with an entirely new corps. They are striving to give the school what it needs—(1) Practical knowledge to analyze and make their own. (2) Energy to do and dare. (3) A broader view of things in general. (4) Knowledge of the rights of the town, as well as rights of the pupils. (5) General culture. With many they find it a pleasure to work, as they appreciate what is done for them, and try to the best of their knowledge to do what is right.

Many pupils who would receive great benefit from a high school course never go beyond the grammar school, for the reason that their parents feel there is little in the high school that is worth while. It seems to be the common desire of American parents to make the pathway of their children smooth and easy and joyous. We have in our high school some pupils who seem to think that they are in such a pathway, but some day they will have a rude awakening.

If the time ever comes when parents fully appreciate the necessity of making school duties paramount to all others, there will be less occasion to criticise teachers, or school methods, if pupils fail to meet all the requirements.

Lack of purpose, attending school as a makeshift until something better presents itself, is a serious detriment. It would seem that some of our boys (?) come under the above, as their manners in reciting, and toward their teachers would hardly stamp them as business men, or being there for business.

CONCLUSION

It is hardly necessary to say a word regarding Industrial Education. The time is near when something will be at-

tempted. I look for the Board of Education to issue a pamphlet on this subject soon, which will interest the citizens of every town.

State Agent J. W. McDonald paid us a visit and inspected our High school. I hope he saw signs of practical progress which I feel are there.

I wish to thank the Committee and Teachers for their cordial co-operation and support during the year.

JAMES S. HAYES,
Supt. Schools.

Report of High School Principal

To the Superintendent of the Schools of Norwell :

I submit my first report of the Norwell High School.

May I first say a few words about the equipment of the High School? We have about all the books and apparatus for the study of science that a rural High School can be expected to have. But the most valuable equipment of any school is its scholars. In this respect Norwell may well be proud. For it is certain that there are few High Schools that have as large a per cent. of natural ability and of undeveloped talent as the Norwell High School, although, often times, this natural endowment is concealed by an undesirable behavior. Health, candor, courage, honor and independence in action and in thought are also some of the other assets of our High School. There is no reason why the Norwell High School cannot furnish leaders and influential citizens in town and national affairs.

Nature has thus done much for our High School by equipping it with such young men and women. But what is the school going to give them in order to best prepare them for practical every day life here in Norwell? The business or function of the Norwell High School is to prepare its scholars for the rural life of Norwell. The first thing that needs to be done, in the writer's opinion, is to arouse an ambition in each scholar to be somebody, such as a good scientific gardner, to arouse a desire to do something worth while here in Norwell, for instance, to raise good fruit. Interests and ideals are the dynamo of life ;

without them there is stagnation. We teachers of the High School consider that our chief duty is to arouse interests and ideals in our scholars, for we think that in whatever school there are worthy interests and high ideals there order, study, character are also found.

Let each High School prepare its pupils for the life they are going to lead,—this is the modern function of the High School. Since, then, it is the function of the Norwell High School to prepare its scholars for the rural life, it follows that instruction should be given in those branches alone which prepare for life here in Norwell.

(1.) Hence, English should be studied, the more the better, so that each one may know how to use his native tongue correctly and effectively and may find in its literature beautiful, ennobling thoughts and character building material.

(2.) Hence, there should be an opportunity to study mathematics during all the four years that a pupil is in the High School so that the student may have, not only mathematics enough to meet the demands of rural life, but that he may develop a capacity for long concentrated hard logical thinking. He who can think has the best equipment for life. The world is looking for thinking men and women. Cannot our High School contribute thinkers to Norwell?

(3.) Hence, everyone should have an opportunity to study one of the Modern Languages so as to get the discipline and culture obtainable from such a course. A foreign language often throws light on the dark places of English.

(4.) Hence, since the cultural value supposed to be found in Latin may be obtained from one of the modern languages or from English, since the value of Latin as a mental discipline may be supplied by science and mathematics, and since a knowledge of that language does not help to prepare one for life in Norwell, it follows that the

Latin language should be banished from the High School. In the writer's opinion Latin, in our High School, is a waste of time and money. If there were no Latin in the High School, with the same number of teachers that we now have and with no more expense, four new subjects, each of which would be a thousand times more practical than Latin, could be added to our course of study.

(5.) Hence, since history helps a student to understand the institutions of our government, it should be studied so that the student in the future may intelligently discharge his duty as a citizen.

(6.) Hence, since a broad knowledge of science is an essential preparation for a rural life, science should be studied during the four years in the High School. Botany, zoology, physiology, physical geography, geology, physics and chemistry should be studied, not from books alone nor in the laboratory only, but should be so taught that the student finds the laws of nature and his science outside of the school room in the wide world. He can thus bring nature to his aid and control her for his purposes. During the last year, all this knowledge of science should be formally applied, in the case of the young men, to agriculture or other rural employments. The agriculturist of the near future must be an all around scientist. For this reason agricultural schools are springing up all over the country, and is Norwell going to be behind the times?

In the case of the young women this scientific knowledge should be, during the last year in the High School, formally applied to cookery and domestic science-

To sum up, the function of the Norwell High School is to prepare its students for actual and practical life here in Norwell.

Respectfully submitted,

F. W. CARRIER,

Principal of N. H. S.

Report of Music Supervisor

To the Superintendent of Schools:—

As a suggestion for the advancement of music in the schools of Norwell, please allow me to say, first of all, provide them with the Ginn Co. course, "New Educational"; the First Readers in the primary grades and probably the Second Readers in the Intermediate. If they have a fair knowledge of the first principles, and wish to take up two part music, the Third Reader might not be too difficult. The New Educational course brings the best results, as it is the easiest from which to teach, and the most interesting to the children. Any school ought to be able to learn one page a week; more than that would probably mean insufficient drill.

Then if you are in the way of holding teachers' meetings, or could conveniently call one occasionally, the supervisor could be present, and point out to the teachers the little things most necessary to explain as the lessons progress. In this way, if the teachers are careful to give constant drill, even if the lessons must be short, and if every child is made to learn the lesson, either in singing or a speaking voice, good results should soon show quite plainly.

The usual course with the first grade is to teach them little songs; and toward the last of the year, the syllables of the scale, and fragments of the scale. In the second grade this work is continued, and they have more drill in singing oral exercises, with skips. The third grade take up the First Reader, and learn to read the notes by syllables from the representation on the staff, and apply their knowledge of how to alter their pitch for the different notes.

If you have schools with the first four or five grades, perhaps the best way to do at first, would be to give the lesson to the fourth and fifth grades, allowing the others to listen and learn the songs by note; or if there happens to be a very promising third grade, make a little special lesson for them, dividing the time for two classes. This little attention to the third grade, prepares a nice class for the following year when the upper class goes to another school.

The habit of singing needs to grow up with the child, and so it will be some years before all the children in the Grammar and High schools will sing without self-consciousness. Those children who hear music and participate in it in their homes, are the ones who take music lessons as a natural course of events, and who give the most help in the High school today; and so when they can take their singing lessons as a natural course of events, rather than something most wonderfully unusual, the work of the High school will be like work, like an effort to reach a high standard instead of like a pastime, wherein one may perhaps become prepared for exhibition.

The exhibition should not be the goal, but rather the most thorough knowledge of the subject by each individual

Respectfully submitted,

LILLIE C. STODDARD.

Dec. 31, 1909.

Supervisor.

Report of Drawing Teacher

To the Superintendent of Schools:—

I have been asked for a report concerning the condition of the drawing in the schools of Norwell.

The work in the Primary grades is being done very satisfactorily and shows ambition and talent, while the work in the Grammar grades and High school shows lack of interest which is very essential to make this work a success.

It seems necessary to state that there are some very talented pupils in these higher grades, who can and do accomplish the work. There are others, who need something to help them see the value of drawing. At this age in life, the question is often put, "Of what use is drawing?" Art or drawing is the training of the eye to observe. It teaches the child to see and then carry out ideas as no other study can.

Now, with this thought, that drawing is the plan, the foundation, upon which we build our minds to see the truths of nature, there seems to be little doubt that it is important and helpful to every child, no matter what course they wish to pursue through life.

With the hearty co-operation on the part of the parents with the teachers as well as the pupils, the work can be brought to a higher standard in the future.

Respectfully submitted,

BERTHA M. TILDEN,

Drawing teacher.

Not for Circulation

